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## NEWS

From Here And There

By Religious News Service

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) — The United States told the Soviet Union it will admit one permanent Soviet clergyman to this country in return for permission to send an American priest to Moscow.

LAKE JUNALUSKA, N. C. (RNS) — "Wear out your soles saving souls." That is the motto of 70 young Methodist evangelists who left here to preach and teach in 30 states and Alaska during the next ten weeks.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) — Congress has postponed until next year public hearings on a bill introduced by Rep. Eugene Silver (R. Ky.) to ban liquor and beer advertising from radio, television and magazines circulating in interstate commerce.

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — Television, fast becoming one of the world's most powerful channels of communication, desperately needs writers, directors, producers and policy makers with sound moral principles, according to the Rev. James G. Keller, M. M., founder and director of The Christophers.

JACKSON, Mich. — An unidentified old man walked into a number of churches here and left an envelope at each containing ten \$100 bills. The anonymous benefactor asked that the money be used where it will do the most good now.

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## State Churches Value \$54,000,000

By THE BAPTIST PRESS

Southern Convention churches in Mississippi have property and buildings worth \$54,796,408, based on 1954 reports.

According to J. P. Edmunds, head of the department of survey, statistics, and information of the Baptist Sunday School Board, this is an increase of 18.3 per cent over 1953 values.

He said the total '53 evaluation was \$46,311,313.

The average value of each of

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## Vatican Note To Peron Asks For Freedom

BUENOS AIRES (RNS) — In its first direct communication with President Juan D. Peron since his excommunication, the Vatican called on the Argentine leader to restore to Roman Catholics freedom to profess their traditions.

The brief Vatican message (Continued on Page 5)

## Ministers May Get Hospital Insurance Soon

NASHVILLE (BP) — A committee is studying a hospitalization insurance plan for ministers proposed by the administrator of Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis, Tenn.

Administrator Frank S. Groher proposed a plan to cover (Continued on Page 2)

## London Baptists Welcome Alliance

By Albert McClellan

LONDON, England — (BP) — A small but vigorous band of London Baptists are preparing a royal welcome for their brethren of the world attending the Baptist World Congress here July 16-22.

The little group numbers only 46,680. While this is less than the membership of many Southern Baptist associations their enthusiasm and efficiency clearly indicated their determination to make this Congress better than any since the Baptist World Alliance was organized in London 50 years ago.

Sensing the significance of this world gathering, the Londoners demonstrated great vision and almost super-human effort in providing handsomely for its success.

### Opportunity for Advance

They made it known, without spelling it out, that in this meeting lies the opportunity for real Baptist advance, not only for Great Britain but also for the world.

But F. Townley Lord, president of the Alliance, does spell it out in his characteristic British way: "The ball is at our feet."

Visitors to the Alliance come from most of the major countries of the world, including 9 from Russia, 14 from Germany, and 2 from East Germany. China is the only large nation without delegates.

To take care of the approximately 10,000 in attendance, London Baptist leaders rented three of the city's largest public meeting places. Congress sessions will be in the venerable Royal Albert Hall, a block-long, red brick, oval-shaped auditorium that faces lovely Kensington Gardens.

### Seats over 5,000

It seats over 5,000 but is not considered acoustically satisfactory. (Continued on Page 2)

### Important Notice

The first nine-month period of this Convention year ends with the month of July and the record of the mission gifts of all churches for the above period will be published in the Baptist Record in August.

The Convention Board Treasurer's books for this period will close on Friday, July 29 and every church is urged to get its contributions in by that day so they will be included in the above report.

## State Missions Reaches Four Of World's Five Races



Rev. Harold Fisher



Rev. D. L. Young



Dr. W. A. Keel

## Egypt—Land of Contrasts

### Scientists Now See Possibility Of Miracles

TORONTO (RNS) — Scientists now admit the possibility that Christ raised the dead and that Moses parted the waters of the Red Sea, Dr. John R. Brobeck, 41, professor of physiology at the University of Pennsylvania's medical school said here.

He spoke to the Christian Medical Fellowship of Great Britain which met in conjunction with the conventions of the British and Canadian Medical Associations.

"Science is changing. One of the results is that a scientist is no longer able to say honestly that something is impossible. He can only say it is improbable," Dr. Brobeck said.

He told the doctors the one factor that can account for the miracles is a source of energy unknown to the scientific system. "In the Bible," he said, "it is known as the word of God."

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By A. L. GOODRICH  
(Editor's Note: This is the second of several articles being written by Dr. Goodrich while he is touring Europe, en route to the Baptist World Alliance.)

Egypt is a land of contrasts. Flies, filth and folks. Here you have extreme poverty and luxurious living. Flies and food are everywhere.

Modern stores are abundant and so are examples of mere existence.

Most of the people we saw were either drinking coffee (or something else), returning an empty coffee cup or going for a cup of coffee. Sidewalk cafes are everywhere and well patronized all the time. Either a lot of people are out of work or they have an income that enables them to loaf.

Egypt largely exists on and by the River Nile and on the income from tourists. The only fertile land is the few fertile miles on each side of the Nile. The remainder is desert, for little, if any, rain falls. (The overflow a few miles on each side of the Nile makes that part fertile). Of the 250 million (Continued on Page 2)

Little observed by most people, four of the world's five races—white, black, red, yellow—are objects of Mississippi Baptists' comprehensive State Mission program.

Those four races inhabit Mississippi in sizeable numbers and are represented by the White people, Negroes, Indians and Chinese.

Shown above are (from left) (Continued on Page 5)

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## 30,000 Attend Graham Rally

OSLO (RNS) — More than 30,000 persons — nearly one-tenth the population of Norway's capital—jammed Ullevaal Stadium here for the opening rally of evangelist Billy Graham's Scandinavian campaign. Another 4,000 stood outside the arena for more than an hour listening to Dr. Graham by amplifier.

Some 750 persons answered the evangelist's plea to come forward and made "decisions for Christ." Those who did so were greeted at the platform by a corps of counselors drawn from all Protestant bodies in Norway and prepared for this work at a series of training sessions.



## London Baptists . . .

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factory even though it is the finest hall in the city.

The mammoth closing session of the Congress is scheduled in commodious Arsenal Football stadium that holds 60,000, most of it standing room only. Billy Graham, American evangelist, and Erik Ruden, general secretary of Swedish Baptists, will be the featured speakers.

Only delegates and special visitors were given seats and admission will be by ticket only. Due to Graham's great popularity in London, the stadium is expected to be far from adequate.

The third large meeting place rented for the Congress is Westminster Central Hall in which Congress offices and exhibits are housed. It is located across

from Westminster Abbey with in sight and sound of mighty Big Ben, famous clock in the tall tower of the halls of Parliament.

## Good Transportation System

Distances in London are great, and the three meeting places at first seem excessively far apart to foot-bound Americans. However, due to the superior metropolitan transport system — one of the finest in the world, using both subway and buses — they are within an easy 20 minutes of each other.

Hundreds of London Baptists took part in a pageant portraying the part Baptists have had in religious life of the world. Billed as "scenes from Baptist history," the pageant with its lavish costumes and impressive music would have done credit to a group many times the size of the small London band.

A dossier full of colorful literature provided each delegate with helpful material. In it are an illustrated, 136-page program and hymnbook, a dozen pamphlets describing transportation routes, restaurant guides, registration cards, tickets, and a neat blue-and-red identification badge.

## Volunteers at Work

Nine men and women formed a volunteer staff under the direction of O. D. Wiles, associate general secretary of the Alliance, to assemble and distribute the dossiers.

London Baptist homes are expected to extend their hos-

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## Mississippians On Board Ship



## Ministers May . . .

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Southern Baptist ministers through Blue Cross, a national hospitalization insurance program. The Southern Baptist Relief and Annuity Board would act as an agent, collecting insurance payments.

Groner told the Southern Baptist Executive Committee, which appointed the special committee to study his proposal, that "for many years our Baptist ministers, as a group, were unable to secure adequate insurance coverage to protect them from the cost of hospital care."

The ministers were provided for in many different ways, he said, with many hospitals discounting ministers' bills themselves. Groner says hospitals want "some type of satisfactory prepaid insurance for the ministers."

Philip H. Wilson, Glasgow, Ky., attorney, is chairman of the insurance study committee. Other members are M. H. Mabry, Tampa, Fla.; Frank Norfleet, Paducah, Ky.; James W. Merritt, Atlanta, Ga., and Curtis English, Alta Vista, Va.

pitality to 800 visitors from Europe, Africa, and the Far East, who were furnished with bed and breakfast. Many of these also receive cash assistance for other meals and bus fares.

One group of 50 from a very poor country have their expenses paid while in the Congress city.

Press facilities here are well-organized and mimeographed speeches are provided to about 200 newsmen writing stories about the Congress.



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Several Mississippians can be seen in above photo taken recently on the S. S. Queen Mary enroute from New York to London for the Baptist World Alliance.

On the left side of table in immediate front can be seen Dr. A. L. Goodrich, editor of the Baptist Record and Mrs. Goodrich. Fourth down from Dr. Goodrich on left can be seen Rev. Paul Leber, pastor at Purvis.

On right side of table can be seen Rev. M. E. Perry (left), pastor Second Church, Greenville, and Rev. Gordon Sansing, pastor Broadmoor Church Jackson.

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## Scientists . . .

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"If we could identify the power of God in the same way we study other forms of power it seems to me we would see miracles every time they happened," the physiologist added.

Dr. Brobeck said that the changes in scientific thinking arose from increasing doubts over the scientific method, scientific laws and the nature of life.

"Even the law of gravity is now considered to have only a high degree of probability," he said. "It is not always inevitable that a falling body will be attracted to earth."

Because of the change, the American doctor said, scientists were coming closer to the age-old Christian point of view that miracles can't be explained, but that the basis for accepting the miracles — religious belief — is a miracle in itself.

Declaring that all miracles didn't take place 2,000 years ago, he added, "The miracle taking place in our time is rebirth — salvation through Jesus Christ."

Such a miracle has wrought real changes in human personalities impossible for a scientist to explain, Dr. Brobeck said.

"The reality of rebirth is exactly the same as the early Christians felt, 2,000 years ago," he said. "As Christians we are not as insistent on this reality as we should be."

## Egypt . . .

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acres of land in Egypt only 6 million are cultivable. The Nile is the longest river in the world, 3,507 miles.

Few, if any, get a good night's sleep in Cairo. Sight-seeing starts at 8 a. m. and ends at noon. After that it's too hot. Stores close and things are dull and people sleep from 1 to 4 p. m. Then more sight-seeing. Dinner (Supper in Mississippi) starts at 8 and takes an hour. For us an afternoon nap was almost impossible because of the heat, no breeze, flies, no screens even in the best hotels. And we doubt that they ever heard of air-conditioning.

Public loudspeakers blared until midnight. And on Friday, the Moslem Holy Day, prayers

are broadcast from 2 to 4 a. m. because early morning prayers are more acceptable to the Lord than late ones. Moslems are supposed to pray five times daily but may say all five at one time, if necessary. Evidently most thought it necessary, for we saw only numbers praying during the day.

It seems most fortunate that early Egyptian history and writing was done on stone and papyrus, as the dry climate preserved the papyrus and the stone is practically indestructible.

The Egyptians claim that other museums have objects a few hundred years old but that theirs are thousands — and they look it.

The National Museum is filled with ancient monuments and stones and too artistic to describe unless the space of a book were available.

There is a copy of the Rosetta Stone (original in England because Egypt was under British control when the stone was found). Christianity as well as the secular world owes much to this priceless piece of stone. Space prevents mentioning many of the wonderful sights. Here are a few.

The Alabaster Mosque — a wonderful piece of architecture. Before entering shoes are removed and large sandals provided. This prevents earthly contamination. Moslems must also bath before entering. A bath house is provided. They also show the well which was Joseph's prison when he had trouble with Potiphar's wife.

Tips seem to be the first word learned by all for that was the first and last word we heard as well as constantly during our stay. The moment we mounted a camel to ride to the Pyramid the dragoman reminded us that he expected a tip and he kept repeating it until we had dismounted and he then followed us 50 feet constantly repeating, "Don't forget the tip."

We saw the place on the banks of the Nile where Pharaoh's daughter found Moses. We looked at what was said to

be the world's oldest building, a smaller pyramid.

Things that interested us:

1. The kids on the streets. No yards to play in.

2. Nearly every body squats whether at ease or at work, even many field hands squat.

3. Free cokes when you enter a store or coffee, if you prefer.

4. Violed mothers willing to be photographed, but not their babies. These they put under their cloak. They think photographing them gives them the evil eye.

5. The filth of the poorer sections. Meat hung uncovered, large piles of bread stacked on boxes in the street, all kinds of groceries out in open, many drinking from same glass with only a casual rinse in the same water.

6. The small shops only a few feet wide and deep. (There are many fine stores in other sections of town.)

7. Street cars stopping in the middle of the street, people get on and off while the cars run.

8. Street barbers who stroll the street. A customer squats on the side walk and the barber goes to work. The same is true of shoe repairmen, as well as other kinds of workmen.

We were told, after seeing many elaborate tombs, that upon becoming king the first job was to prepare a tomb for death. Our thought was that if they had made as much preparation for eternity as they did for death, many would not now be in hell.

We saw a clothes presser using a large hand iron. But he used his hand and foot to propel it. To sprinkle the clothes he took a mouthful of water and sprayed them.

Christianity is of small consequence in Egypt. We could find no Baptist church but were told that there was a small independent church. There is a small Presbyterian mission in the city. The prayer meeting attendance was about 25.

The numerous monuments that dot the country bear witness to the history of ancient Egypt, the might of the Pharaohs and other successive conquerors.

We should not ignore modern Egypt. Since the 19th Century rapid strides have been made. Cairo also has many modern stores and huge building programs are underway. The rich live in luxury and mansions just as elsewhere. No more beautiful homes are seen anywhere.

The pyramids are truly one of the Seven Wonders of the World. How those huge stones 30 and 40 feet square were lifted to lofty heights without machinery is still a puzzle to the most learned. And stone upon stone stays put without cement or other binder.

But after seeing this architectural wonder we still think it a lot of work and wasted wealth for a tomb for one man.



## What's In A Name

**Editor's Note:** The article below appeared in the May Baptist Program and proved so interesting we felt all our readers would enjoy it.

Looking over the roster of minister's names in the Southern Baptist Convention Annual one becomes intrigued with the variety of names. A church looking for a pastor has a great choice if there's anything in a name.

Among the Smiths and Joneses there is most any color, even Lavender. Or if it's age, there are the Olds and the Youngs, the Kidds, Chiles and Mann.

Perhaps the church wants to be biblical. So the Matthews, Marks, Johns, Jameses, Peters, Pauls, Sauls, Davids, Solomons, Adams, and others are available.

If it's inclined ecclesiastically it could select a Rector, Bishop, Pope, Monk, Nunn, DePriest or Devine.

Also Costs and Prices come in for consideration with Nickles, Dollars, Bills, Cash, Bonds, Banks, Rich, Thrifts, and Crooks.

Then there's a Royal group of Dukes, Princes, Kings, Queens, Kyzers and Lords.

There is Love and Haight, Justice and Peace, Fites and Quarles, Angels and Savages.

Or if it's Sizemore than anything else, there are the Littles, the Bigges, Shorts, Longs, and Small. There are the big Shotts like the Cannons. A few Braggs, some Bull, the Cherrys, the Berrys, and Raseberry.

Also Hicks, Sapps, Nutts, the Witty and the Wise. The Gays with the Dances, Skippers, Hoppers, and Stampers, having Music, Corders, Horns, Harpers, Tutens and some Wilder.

There are Paynes and Aikens, Moodys and Grievors—the Sweet, a Doll, and a Darling. A selection of parts: Heads, Harts, Arms, Hands, Fingers, Bone and Foote.

This may sound like a Riddle but if you can Ketchum there are Birds, lots of them, Doves, Wrenns, Hawkes, Eagles, Crows, Ducks, Drakes, and Swanns.

Also Wolfs, Frogges, Lambs, Fox, Lyons, Staggs, and Seals.

There are Drivers for the Carrs—Fords, Nashs, and Dodges.

Then there are Days, Knights, and Weeks.

Some are Sharp, Cutty, Keen, Carver, Speer, Swords, Pierce, Slaughter, Ropers and Skinners. Also the Shockleys, Shivers, and Shook.

There are Corns and Cobbs, Wheat and Rice, Millers, Brewers and Boozers. Also Kitchens and Butlers, Bakers and Cooks, Bacon and Hamm, Coffee and Sherbert, and the Belchers.

This is a Cprker. For the Fishers—Bass, Trout and Herring. For the Hunters—the Woods, the Farmers and Countryman—the Fields. Also Shephards, Houses, Carpenters, Painters, Broomes, Combs, Pillows, Couches, Coates and Taylors.

Some are Dry but there are Waters, Brooks, Branches, Rivers, even Jordan, Fountains, Pooles, and Lakes,—Divers too.

CONTRAST



No wonder with Sprinkles of Clouds, Storms, Raines, Showers, Floods, Snow, Hale, and Frost.

With the Cummings and Goings there's no need to Guess what Pace to set to Startup, with Hasty and Speed, Walkers and Trotters also Delay.

Some churches want Miracles, Tallant, the Bests, but the one most likely to please most Baptist churches is Brother Pettus.

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## On Pastors Holding Their Own Revivals

With the advent of the Simultaneous Crusade in Southern Baptist life the question of the pastor preaching his own revival has come in for considerable discussion.

In days gone by the pastor preaching his own revival has been the exception, with a visiting preacher being the rule.

In those days when churches held their "annual" revivals at various times it was comparatively easy to secure a visiting pastor as evangelist for the meeting.

During a simultaneous Crusade however there hardly are enough to go around, which has caused many churches to turn to their own pastors.

Many churches have been pleasantly surprised at the results.

We are not advocating a movement against churches employing visiting evangelists. We believe that there will always be a place and need for the visiting evangelist.

We do believe that some clear thinking is in order regarding the attitude of many churches toward their pastors preaching the revival.

The idea that a visiting preacher is necessary should be done away with. Many churches today, small and large, have proved that their own pastors, on various occasions, can conduct great meetings.

Perhaps in the final analysis, consistency should prevail . . . We knew of a church several years ago that we feel had the ideal plan.

This church conducted two revivals per year. One held in the early spring, with the pastor doing the preaching. The other was held in late summer with a visiting preacher in the pulpit.

There is one definite problem connected with the idea of a pastor preaching his own revival, but it can and has been easily handled.

The pastor, according to usual Baptist custom, is in charge of the pulpit, selecting those who stand behind it. We feel that is certainly in order.

The pastor then may be hesitant to announce to his own church that he will hold the revival. We do not feel that he should be reluctant at this point, if he has a conviction about it.

In the case cited above the pastor recommended the two revivals and the church overwhelmingly accepted the idea.

In closing, may we offer several advantages of a pastor holding his own revival, as advanced by Rev. Eual F. Lawson, Missouri evangelism secretary.

The pastor knows the field better than a visitor.

A new voice in the pulpit is not necessarily needed at every revival.

A stranger in the pulpit is not necessary every time to draw a crowd.

The pastor preaching his own revival is likely to draw pastor and people closer together.

Great churches are grown by pastor and people working together.

Yes, there is a time and place for a visiting preacher and a time and place for the pastor to hold his own revival.

Consistency should prevail.

## Training Union Convention Excellent

The word "excellent" describes the recent State Training Union Convention, sponsored by our State Training Union Department.

The program was superb, the program personalities were well selected and the attendance was good.

The reports given showed a substantial growth over the previous year.

Secretary Kermit King and his associates can be congratulated on the fine showing made.

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## Our Readers Write

### FINDS CHRISTIAN JOY

Dear Editor:

About ten months ago I left my country, Jordan, and came to the United States to continue my studies. I want to give this word of testimony that it might be a blessing to the life of somebody.

Before the year 1950 I was lost, devoted to the Greek Orthodox faith, which declares that by being good and by doing good works you may be saved. Such beliefs did not satisfy my heart and soul, which were begging and anticipating for truth and real joy. In July, 1950, I was saved. But for two years after that I was a lazy, indolent Christian; I never won souls to Christ.

I went into the field of politics against my government, then practiced acting and wanted to be a professional actor. I wrote worldly short stories, from which I wanted to acquire money and popularity.

One morning I opened my Bible and read a passage, including Acts 19:19, which burdened my heart. I picked up my sacrilegious, worldly stories and burned them, then I rededicated my life. **What a wonderful joy I had from that time!**

I started to tell others about Jesus. I came to American, joined the First Church, Newton. After a few years I am going back home to carry the message to them. Pray that the Lord will fulfill his purpose in my life and wherever he leads, I'll go.

Sam Matalaka

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# Children's Page

## JUST WISHING

By: Georgia and Howard Paris



### MY DOLLIES' CART

By: L Mildred Harris

My Daddy made my dolls a cart  
So I could take them for a  
ride  
He used a wooden box he had  
And put a wheel upon each  
side.  
He smoothed the roughness all  
around  
And nailed a back and sides  
on it.  
Then with a smaller box he  
made  
A place where all the dolls  
could sit.  
He screwed a handle on in front  
And checked until each part  
was right.  
Then painted it until it shone—  
A bright red trim on creamy  
white.  
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### GEORGE EDMONSON

Whereas "Uncle" George Edmonson endeared himself to all mankind while living in the Rawls Springs community; Whereas he served faithfully as a deacon in the Rawls Springs Baptist Church for 47 years and attended the said church faithfully unless hindered by illness; Whereas his patience, quietness, wisdom, and foresight made him a likely confident for both young and old. Whereas he always cooperated wholeheartedly with the church, school, and civic organizations of the community: Be it resolved that the Rawls Springs Church endorses these resolutions on June 26.  
T. R. Cooksey  
Mrs. C. J. Johnson  
Mrs. B. E. Sellers

# The Gold Clock

Martha hated getting up in the mornings. Sometimes she was late to school because she didn't get up when she was called. So when her mother went to Europe one summer, she brought Martha a beautiful little gold clock from Switzerland.

Martha was delighted, and set the clock on the mantel in her room where she could listen to its friendly little tick-tick, tick-tick. It seemed as though it were a real live person talking to her.

"Martha, you and I are just alike," the Swiss clock said to her one day.

"How can a girl be like a clock?" Martha laughed.

"We both have two hands and a face," the clock went on. "And we have to be wound up to make us run."

"You have to be wound up, but I don't!" Martha declared.

"Wouldn't your body run down if you did not eat or sleep? Wouldn't your mind run down if you didn't study? And your soul would surely run down if you didn't read your Bible and pray."

Martha was amazed at the little gold clock's wisdom.

"Our inner works are more important than our outer cases," the clock ticked on. "You are a pretty girl, and I'm shining gold on the outside, but if our inner works run down or get full of dust, we're no good to anybody."

"Our inner works?" Martha questioned, smiling.

"Yes, when dust sifts into my wheels, I can't keep good time. Neither can you when unkind thoughts, or cross, angry feelings sift into your heart."

"It is funny how much alike we are," Martha mused.

"There's still another way we could be alike," ticked the little Swiss clock. "I wear the name of my maker where everyone can see it. Do you?"

Martha looked thoughtful. She had recently accepted Christ as her Saviour. Was she wearing his name so that everyone would know that she belonged to him? She wondered.

"The Gold Clock," is from the book, *Shining Armor* by Edna Ewing Kelley.)

## Hoyte E. Nelson Accepts Carmel Post

The Rev. Hoyte E. Nelson has resigned as pastor of the Bethel church near Monticello to accept the pastorate of the nearby Carmel church.

He will succeed Rev. Harold O'Chester.

He has lead the church from a half-time to a full-time program and the church has purchased a bus. A new three-bedroom parsonage has been built. There has been an increase of fifty per cent in the Sunday School enrolment and three new classes have been organized. Twenty-six members have been added.

He was graduated from Clarke College and is now a senior at William Carey College in Hattiesburg.

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## Baptists Of Japan Stress Evangelism

Out of Japan come announcements of plans for advance in evangelism, both home and foreign.

The foreign missions committee of the Japan Baptist Convention has sent out requests for overseas volunteers to both Okinawa and Brazil. A preliminary survey for launching new work in Okinawa has already been completed.

For several years Japan Baptists have been accumulating money to launch a foreign mission program from a convention-wide Christmas mission offering similar to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Japan Baptists have an evangelism advance program designed to reach into every part of the country.

Immediate goals for 1955 and 1956 call for establishment of 100 strategic centers over the nation. With the present 60 churches as the nucleus, convention leaders and missionaries hope to achieve the 100 centers in two years, including extensive plans for city and suburban evangelism in Tokyo, Yokohama, Osaka, Kyoto, Nagoya, Fukuoka, and Sendai.

At recent conferences of seminary and literature representatives from Baptists in all areas of Asia, Rev. Shuichi Matsumura, chairman of the Japan Baptist Convention's evangelism department, urged co-operation with all Baptists in Asia in the field of evangelism. Japanese Baptist leaders are now pushing plans for an Asian evangelistic conference to be held in 1955 if possible.

The Japan convention has invited Daniel Chung, pastor of the Stirling Road Baptist Church in Hong Kong, to conduct a preaching mission in Japan this fall.

Naboru Arase is executive secretary of the Japan Baptist Convention.

## Korean Convention Adds 25 Churches

Messengers from 103 churches and mission points in every section of South Korea were registered for the 45th session of the Korean Baptist Convention held in the Memorial Church, Seoul.

Twenty-five new churches were admitted to the convention. The evangelistic board reported 1,980 baptisms since the last meeting of the convention, with 13,376 converts and inquirers. (Korean pastors do not baptize candidates until they are well indoctrinated and bring forth fruit as evidence of repentance.)

Records indicated there are 203 Sunday schools with 19,822 enrolled, 36 Training Unions with 1,692, 50 Woman's Missionary Societies with 2,500 members, and 35 Royal Ambassador Chapters and 23 Girl's Auxiliaries with a total of 1,608 members.

The Bible school in Taejon (now in its second year of regular work) has an enrolment of 192 students and 11 teachers. The number would be even higher had not some of the students been drafted into the armed forces during the year.

The convention recognized the training of preachers as one of the most important phases of work. Calls come from all over the country for more preachers to serve the newly organized churches.

The Baptist Academy (for refugee children) in Inchon has 640 pupils. The principal of the school recently received a citation from the Korean Ministry of Education.

## Has Unusual Record

A full-fledged church pianist since 1951, when she was only of Junior age, is the unusual record of Miss Maxine McClellan, of the Cruciger Church.

She has worked with special groups in the church music program and made high ratings in the District Music Festivals.

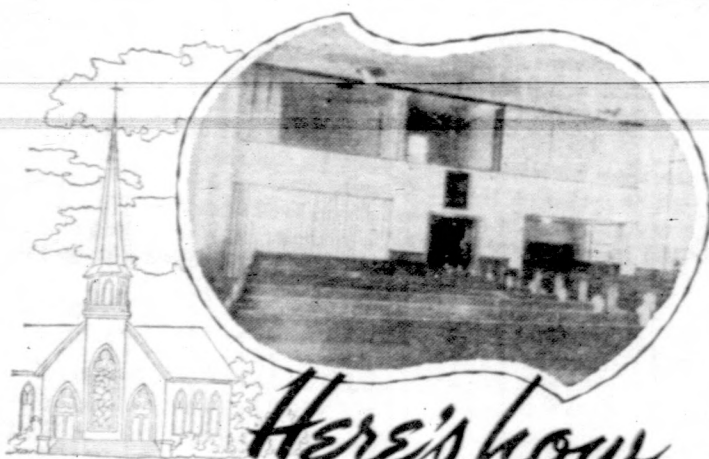
She plans later to enter Mississippi College. Rev. Robert H. Foy is her pastor.

The Baptist Clinic in Pusan ministered to 130,000 patients during the past year, plus 23,000 tubercular patients at special clinic periods. A new hospital is soon to be completed.

The Korea Baptist Convention voted to renew its annual request to the Foreign Mission Board for more missionaries to come as soon as possible and to thank Southern Baptists for all they have done in the sending of missionaries and for material help in the form of relief.

Missionary John A. Abernathy wrote: "Perhaps there is no field around the world where the need is greater, the harvest riper, or where missionary lives and Baptist dollars count for more than that in Korea."

Pastor Shin Hug Chin was re-elected chairman of the convention. He is the son-in-law of Lee Chung Duk, former president, who was martyred by the Communists in 1951.



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## FLORRIE ANNE LAWTON BECOMES DIRECTOR OF NURSERY WORK IN TRAINING UNION DEPT. OF THE BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD



On June 1, 1955, Florrie Anne Lawton became director of Nursery work in the Training Union Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

Miss Lawton came to the Sunday School Board from the Queensborough Baptist Church of Shreveport, Louisiana, where she was director of elementary work for the past year. She was graduated from the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in the spring of 1954 with the M. R. E. degree. She took the course in elementary education at the seminary.

While at Southwestern Seminary, Miss Lawton taught for one year in the kindergarten on the seminary campus under the supervision of Miss Ann Bradford, professor of Elementary Education.

Miss Florrie Anne Lawton is the daughter of Rev. J. K. Lawton, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Kingstree, South Carolina.



### Student Summer Service Program

This year the Training Union Department of Mississippi is sending out 26 of the finest college young people in Mississippi to work in 78 local churches.

They will be directly under the supervision of the Associational Missionary and the Associational Training Union Director.

These workers will organize Training Unions where there

are no Training Unions, enlist leadership, conduct Vacation Bible Schools, teach methods study courses. Theirs is really a mission work.

These students reported to their fields of service on July 2 and will serve in their respective associations until August 12. Following their six weeks of service on the field, they will come to Camp Garawa during the week of Aug. 15-20 as guests of the Training Union Department at the Training Union Assembly.

Front Row: Reading from left to right: Mary Ola Martin, Elizabeth Ann Morris, Tom Benn, Phalba Calrk, Everett Myers, Mrs. A. R. Windham, Eilda Thigpen, Shelby Jean Scott, Janette Jones.

Second Row: Reading from left to right: Ed Perry, Mary Lynn Carter, Bud Richardson, Lourie Wright, Willa May, Henry Luke, Betty Houser, Jo Caldwell, Betty Tullos.

Third Row: Reading from left to right: G. G. Pierce, Kermit King, Neta Stewart, Rev. A. R. Windham, Katherine Davis, Sammie Campbell, Louise Hill, Madeline Austin, Jo Smith, Mary Joan McMillan.

Not listed: Franklin Bell, Libby Wiltshire, Mary E. Collums.

## State Missions . . .

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Rev. Horace Fisher, Philadelphia, missionary to the Indians; Rev. D. I. Young, Greenville, missionary to the Chinese, and Dr. W. A. Keel, Jackson, secretary, State Negro Work Department. Many are the missionaries and workers among the White race in our state.

Although Rev. and Mrs. Horace Fisher are Home Mission Board workers, the Indian work which they carry on is supplemented by an allocation from the State Mission Board, which is used for specific mission purposes.

This year's allocation is \$3,000 and is spent largely in the New Choctaw Association of 11 Indian churches scattered throughout east-central Mississippi.

The Chinese mission work is sponsored jointly by the State Mission Board and the First Baptist Church of Greenville with Rev. and Mrs. Young as directors.

They reach over 100 Chinese in this program of work. Their annual budget is approximately \$3600 with the State Convention Board contributing \$1200 and the church the remainder.

### NEGRO WORK

The work among Negroes in Mississippi, under direction of Dr. Keel, is more extensive. The principal emphasis is with the Mississippi Baptist Seminary, for Negroes, Dr. H. L. Lang, president. This seminary system is made of a central center in Jackson and 27 extension centers located over the state.

It is supported by our Convention and several Negro conventions. Several other projects complete the Negro work, including BSU work at three Negro colleges and a developing assembly program near Prentiss.

A total of \$29,900 this year is going into the Negro work.

### MISSIONS AMONG WHITES

The remainder of this year's State Mission budget of \$252,320 goes for missions largely among our predominantly White population and includes 25 different phases of work.

Yes, Mississippi Baptists comprehensive program of State Missions touches four of the world's five principal races.

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### Churches Valued . . .

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the 1,715 churches last year was \$31,900. This compared with the average value of \$27,900 in 1953, when there were 1,696 churches in Mississippi.

Edmunds reported the total value of church property within the Southern Baptist Convention at about 1-1/2 billion dollars in 1954, an all-time high. There are 29,899 churches.

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THE BAPTIST RECORD  
KEEPS MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PEOPLE INFORMED.

## Vatican Note . . .

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was a reply to President Peron's cabled greetings to Pope Pius XII on the occasion of the feast of SS. Peter and Paul, traditionally known as Pontiff's Day.

Signed by Archbishop Antonio Samore, secretary of the Sacred Congregation of Extraordinary Ecclesiastical Affairs, it said:

"On receipt of the message of your excellency for this festivity, we beseech the Lord to illumine and move your heart so that the beloved people may live freely in the profession of their Catholic traditions."

Meanwhile, Santiago Luis Copello, Archbishop of Buenos Aires, issued a pastoral letter calling for "peace and harmony among citizens" but stressing that this goal cannot be achieved until the causes of "discontent" are removed.

He also asked the Catholic clergy and faithful to intensify their prayers and sacrifices in accordance with Church tradition during times of trial.

The pastoral was to be read in churches of the Buenos Aires archdiocese on Sunday, July 10.

"Peace and harmony among our citizens is our aspiration," Cardinal Copello declared.

"But these noble longings for union and peace can only be realized if the causes which have created discontent and have divided our citizens are eliminated from among us."

Cardinal Copello then reiterated a warning in a pastoral letter issued by the Argentine hierarchy on Nov. 28, 1954, which stated that "the faithful should not participate in any acts purporting to be of a religious nature if they have not been previously approved by Church authorities."

In this pastoral, the hierarchy also reminded Catholics that it is their duty to be good citizens but that their first obligation is "not to compromise the sacred interests of the Church." Priests, the bishops said, must keep out of politics, but when principles of Catholic doctrine are involved "it would no longer be a question of political opposition but of the obligatory defense of the altar."

Cardinal Copello recalled the 1954 Christmas message of Pope Pius XII in which the Pontiff warned that peaceful co-existence among various peoples must be based on fear of God and not on "fear of each

## Bethlehem Has Work Revival

For ten weeks the Bethlehem Church, Jones Association, has been engaged in the construction of a two-story, brick-veneer educational building consisting of 8,400 sq. ft. floor space. An average of 25 boys and men had been coming two nights a week to give their labor on God's House. As the building neared completion, the pastor challenged the congregation to inconvenience themselves for the Lord in the coming week by working on the new building every night, having a Working Revival, June 27-July 1.

When the week was over, these were the physical accomplishments: there were 155 different people present, an average attendance of 95. This included the children with the adults. Using 24 paint brushes, the ladies put on 34 gallons of paint. On the ceiling and walls, 4,200 sq. ft. of sheet rock and 3,500 sq. ft. of Masonite board were put up. Much wiring was done, with 50 electrical openings completed. Approximately 10,000 ft. of Masonite board was sanded before being painted. In addition to this, the kitchen was cleaned, the office moved, and the Beginner, Primary, and Nursery Departments changed into new quarters.

Although a nursery was provided during the week, some of the ladies organized the children (some 4 and 5 yrs. old) into groups to clean up the trash. On Wednesday night, time was taken to conduct a 30 minute prayer meeting, after which work was resumed. Most of this work was done during the evening hours from 6:30-9:00, although some was done during the day by men who had night jobs.

The Christian Fellowship of this week will be long lasting and the spiritual results of this Working Witness for the Lord is expected to bring forth much fruit in the coming revival August 21-28.

The pastor, Warren H. Rush, reports expressions during the week that will long be remembered, such as one man saying: "I didn't know I could drive a nail"; and a Junior girl saying: "Isn't it wonderful to be able to work on God's House."

other and mutual disillusionment."

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### OBSERVING LAYMAN'S DAY

The Second Sunday in October is set aside by Southern Baptists as Layman's Day. This special day in our denominational life offers the churches an excellent opportunity to recognize men and their contributions in advancing the work of our Lord.

### WHAT IS LAYMAN'S DAY?

It is a day on which Southern Baptist churches are urged to give special honor, recognition, and challenge to the men of the church. It is a day, used by many churches, to magnify the efforts of laymen. It is a day when pastors can sincerely express their appreciation to their men and consequently enrich the fellowship between pastor and laymen. It is a day on which men are challenged to find their place in the life of the church. It is a day to focus attention on the needs of the church for the total manpower of the church. It is a day of consecration and rededication on the part of men.

### WHY OBSERVE LAYMAN'S DAY?

There are men in our churches and the church community who are expressing little interest in the affairs of their church. Layman's Day may attract their attention and win their interest. There are also many unsaved men whom this emphasis may be the means of reaching for Christ.

There are men in our churches, who though regular in attendance, have never had the joy of finding a place of service in their church. Proper observance of Layman's Day can point such men to the vital place they can fill in the life of their church.

There are men who are serving their church, but the church has never given proper recognition for their services. Layman's Day offers such an opportunity for this recognition.

In winning, using and honoring the men of the church, Layman's Day can make a lasting contribution to the enlistment of total manpower. Men in action on Layman's Day will challenge other men to discover and dedicate their abilities to the Saviour through greater service in their church.

### WHO SHOULD OBSERVE LAYMAN'S DAY?

Every Southern Baptist Church should observe Layman's Day. Churches with Brotherhoods should set the example, but every church should make adequate arrangements for its observance.

In churches without a Brotherhood the pastor may appoint a special committee of men to work with him in making plans. Many churches have followed up the observance of Layman's Day with the organization of a Brotherhood.

### PREPARATION FOR LAYMAN'S DAY

The successful observance of Layman's Day will require early planning. Six months in advance is not too early to begin making preliminary plans.

The pastor, because of his place of leadership in the church, is the first to encourage the observance of Layman's Day.

Committees should be set up and instructed. Committees needed will be in relation to what the church decides to do in its observance of Layman's Day.

## New Professor



Prof. S. C. Williamson

Professor S. Charles Williamson, Kansas City, Kansas, has accepted the position as associate professor of voice in the School of Sacred Music, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, effective August 1.

He has served as associate professor of music and speech at Central Baptist Theological Seminary, Kansas City since 1953.

A native Missourian, he is a graduate of William Jewell College and holds the M.A. degree in music from the University of Kansas City. He is nearing completion of his work looking toward the Ph.D. in Music Education.

He is an accomplished baritone soloist and has sung in professional circles including radio and opera.

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### CALENDAR OF PRAYER

July 18—R. A. Camp, Garaywa; Baptist World Alliance through Friday.

July 19—Dr. John D. McCall, Warren County Convention Board member; Mrs. N. T. Stuart, Scott W. M. U. Superintendent.

July 20—J. H. Kyzar, Greenwood, Blue Mountain College trustee; Rev. Arnold Hannaford, Marion Association Training Union director.

July 21—J. Murphy Thomas, Tupelo, Baptist Memorial Hospital trustee; Rev. John L. Gilbert, Pearl River Association Music Director.

July 22—Clyde Gordon, Poplarville, Baptist Orphanage trustee; S. H. Mullen, Bolivar Association Brotherhood president.

July 23—A. Sidney Johnston, Mt. Olive, Board of Ministerial Education; Miss Nell Magee, BSU Director, Jones Junior College.

July 24—Jack Southerland, Meridian, Clarke College trustee.

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Of the 117,000 Chinese in this country, 90 per cent are non-Christian, it was reported at the first nationwide conference of Chinese churches in America at San Francisco.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

| Church                                     | Enrol. | Mission Offer. |
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| Neshoba (Neshoba) . . . . .                | 76     | \$8.52         |
| Oxford First (Lafayette) . . . . .         | 250    | 50.57          |
| First, Starkville (Oktibbeha) . . . . .    | 403    | 129.00         |
| 38th Ave., Hattiesburg (Lebanon) . . . . . | 154    | 37.97          |
| Lumberton (Lamar) . . . . .                | 163    | 17.95          |
| New Fellowship (Jasper) . . . . .          | 36     |                |
| Bethesda (Hinds) . . . . .                 | 37     | 5.19           |
| Pine Bluff (Copiah) . . . . .              | 66     | 19.68          |
| Mount Olive (Covington) . . . . .          | 90     | 5.55           |
| Second, Kosciusko (Attala) . . . . .       | 228    | 14.39          |
| Scooba (Kemper) . . . . .                  | 74     | 9.47           |
| Mt. Vernon (Miss.) . . . . .               | 42     | 6.00           |
| Harrisville (Simpson) . . . . .            | 108    | 15.86          |
| Bethel (Lowndes) . . . . .                 | 86     | 20.00          |
| McArthur Chapel (Jackson) . . . . .        | 69     | 12.18          |
| Emmanuel (Oktibbeha) . . . . .             | 44     | 10.47          |
| Ebenzer (Jeff. Davis) . . . . .            | 63     | 10.02          |
| First, Natchez (Union) . . . . .           | 402    | 91.20          |
| Mt. Zion (Lowndes) . . . . .               | 139    | 115.95         |
| Enterprise (Miss.) . . . . .               | 70     | 10.50          |
| Pickens (Holmes) . . . . .                 | 134    | 41.93          |
| Nicholson (Pearl River) . . . . .          | 95     | 20.48          |
| Central (Lincoln) . . . . .                | 87     | 23.50          |
| Harmony (Winston) . . . . .                | 103    | 10.00          |
| New Palestine (Pearl River) . . . . .      | 152    | 18.24          |
| Skene (Bolivar) . . . . .                  | 121    | 14.25          |
| Parkway (Lee) . . . . .                    | 84     | 13.00          |
| New Ireland (Newton) . . . . .             | 54     | 9.63           |
| Harmony (Pearl River) . . . . .            | 64     | 10.22          |
| Pine Bluff (New Choctaw) . . . . .         | 44     | 4.60           |
| Bude (Franklin) . . . . .                  | 91     | 14.89          |
| Calvary (Yazoo) . . . . .                  | 210    | 22.33          |
| First, Pascagoula (Jackson) . . . . .      | 457    | 22.54          |
| Northside (Hinds) . . . . .                | 291    | 65.69          |
| Pearl Valley (Copiah) . . . . .            | 37     | 14.82          |
| Wildwood, (Jones) . . . . .                | 112    | 20.58          |
| Central Grove (Monroe) . . . . .           | 205    | 12.75          |
| Bowmar Ave. (Warren) . . . . .             | 206    | 45.28          |
| Mt. Gilead                                 |        |                |

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| (Lauderdale) . . . . .                            | 94  | 19.00  |
| Holly Bluff (Yazoo) . . . . .                     | 98  | 22.74  |
| Star (Rankin) . . . . .                           | 98  | 24.57  |
| Mt. Creek (Rankin) . . . . .                      | 58  | 7.31   |
| Enon (Walthall) . . . . .                         | 81  | 16.00  |
| Evergreen (Winston) . . . . .                     | 114 | 19.38  |
| Pinegrove (Pearl River) . . . . .                 | 161 | 56.00  |
| Utica (Hinds) . . . . .                           | 87  | 10.50  |
| Nettleton (Lee) . . . . .                         | 183 | 60.00  |
| Lakeview (Lebanon) . . . . .                      | 60  | 11.60  |
| Harrisburg (Lee) . . . . .                        | 340 | 112.00 |
| Roseland (Pearl River) . . . . .                  | 211 | 39.78  |
| First, Calhoun City (Calhoun) . . . . .           | 221 | 38.53  |
| Oil City (Yazoo) . . . . .                        | 64  | 5.23   |
| Key Field (Lauderdale) . . . . .                  | 127 | 18.34  |
| Oakdale (Rankin) . . . . .                        | 76  | 12.39  |
| First, Senatobia (Tate) . . . . .                 | 184 | 30.73  |
| Wesson (Copiah) . . . . .                         | 133 | 50.00  |
| Whitesand (Jeff. Davis) . . . . .                 | 149 | 18.65  |
| Perkinston (Gulf Coast) . . . . .                 | 96  | 19.10  |
| S. 28th Ave., Hattiesburg (Lebanon) . . . . .     | 101 | 17.50  |
| Mize (Smith) . . . . .                            | 89  | 27.46  |
| Friendship (Pike) . . . . .                       | 142 | 21.63  |
| First, Vicksburg (Warren) . . . . .               | 333 | 123.03 |
| Pine Bur (Marion) . . . . .                       | 46  | 12.75  |
| Adaton (Oktibbeha) . . . . .                      | 48  | 8.00   |
| Liberty (Kemper) . . . . .                        | 67  | 12.60  |
| Bethesda (Oktibbeha) . . . . .                    | 46  | 7.15   |
| Nineteenth Ave., Hattiesburg, (Lebanon) . . . . . | 134 | 23.62  |
| Calvary, Vicksburg, (Warren) . . . . .            | 119 | 17.39  |
| Merigold (Bolivar) . . . . .                      | 90  | 5.67   |
| First, Hattiesburg (Lebanon) . . . . .            | 398 | 52.11  |
| County Line (Jones) . . . . .                     | 116 | 11.26  |
| Poplar Creek (Montgomery) . . . . .               | 30  | 2.29   |
| Port Gibson (Union) . . . . .                     | 63  | 11.08  |
| Springhill (Copiah) . . . . .                     | 61  | 11.91  |
| Harrisburg (Lee) . . . . .                        | 315 | 112.16 |
| Paul Truitt (Rankin) . . . . .                    | 138 | 33.39  |
| Gallman (Copiah) . . . . .                        | 60  | 10.00  |
| First, Corinth (Alcorn) . . . . .                 | 103 | 44.22  |

## Alliance President Finds 'Added Sense of Mission'

LONDON, England—(BP)—F. Townley Lord, president of the Baptist World Alliance, has noticed an "added sense of mission" at the 1955 Baptist World Congress here.

He attributes this to the worldwide fellowship of Baptists attending. Before the start of the Congress, Lord predicted: "Fellowship will be the dominant note."

Russians, Germans, Japanese, and Foromosans present have enriched the fellowship at this Golden Jubilee World Congress.

Lord has long advocated the BWA as a means of deepening Baptist unity. He thinks the world fellowship here will give the Europeans a chance to look at the rest of the world, Anglo-Saxons a chance to look at each other, and "all of us a

chance to look forward."

Lord can prove the hospitality of his London brethren, who are hosts to the Congress. The reception room floor of his office is covered with a bright, new red carpet "all for my visitors," as he puts it.

In addition to serving as Alliance president, Lord is pastor of Bloomsbury Baptist Church and editor of the publication Baptist Times.

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County-Wide Rally, July 25th  
The Jackson County Baptist Ministerial Association is sponsoring a one-night evangelistic rally at War Memorial Stadium Monday night, July 25. Rev. Eddie Martin, well-known young evangelist, will be the speaker. Make your plans now to attend this service.

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### Hinds County BSU Director Coming, We Gratefully Believe

In addition to the coming of Miss Anne Bailey to the School of Nursing, Baptist Hospital, Jackson, as BSU Director, we feel increasingly encouraged over the prospects for the establishment of a Hinds County BSU Directorship this Fall. We are particularly indebted to several Jackson pastors for leading out in attempting to get such a position established. Surely the college students of Jackson need more spiritual help than they have been receiving, and we thank God for the Jackson pastors and others who believe this and who are doing something about it. BSU



MISS ANNE BAILEY

Pictured above is Miss Anne Bailey, of Stockton, Ala., who on July 1st became the first BSU Director ever employed for the Baptist Hospital School of Nursing in Jackson.

Miss Bailey is a graduate of Mississippi College and holds the M. R. E. from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. She was for two years, before going to the Seminary, the BSU Director for Jones Junior College, Ellisville, Miss. Her coming to the School of Nursing is, we feel, a definite answer to the prayers of many, and we are grateful to God that this particular place of service has opened up. We appreciate very much the manifest interest of Mr. Wilson Turner, Administrator of the Hospital; Rev. J. B. Parker, Chaplain, and others in the spiritual needs of the nurses of Baptist Hospital, and predict a great work for Christ by Miss Bailey during the months and years to come.

### ON YOUTH-LED REVIVALS

Jerry Johnston, Miss. College and Prentiss, reports a good one at Shelby recently.

Pastor James McCrary, Boyle, wrote of theirs last year. "They (the team) were the finest young people you could have sent and they really brought us a spiritual blessing . . . The crowds turned out in great numbers for the revival services . . . On behalf of our entire church, may I thank you and your department for sending us these fine young people." (Ed. note: Boyle is planning for another one this summer.)

James Ruffin, Maben, recent grad of Miss. State, writes of a good meeting at Self Creek Church, near Starkville, with 3 additions and 25 rededications.

And, again, in addition, plans for Baptist Student Centers at Miss. State, Delta State, Miss. Southern and other places are coming ere long, we believe.

How thankful we are for the continued advance of Mississippi BSU!

We do thank God for recent encouraging developments in the Jackson area, where we have felt for the more than nine years we have spent in the Student Work that one or more BSU Directors were needed, and we shall continue to pray, along with others, that if it be the Lord's will, the position of Hinds County BSU Director will be established this Fall.

In addition to the above, we are grateful for indications that the work at Copiah-Lincoln Jr. College, Itawamba Jr. College and perhaps Northeast and Northwest Jr. Colleges will be expanded soon.

## Shortage of Space At Grand Canyon

PHOENIX, Ariz. — (BP) —

Grand Canyon College here is asking Arizona Baptists to furnish \$5,000 between now and Fall enrolment to secure an unused school building. The unused schoolhouse will become the temporary college chapel.

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### THE LIFE OF DAVID AS

REFLECTED IN HIS PSALMS (Baker Book House, Grand Rapids 6, Michigan, \$2.40) in 261 pages gives a thorough, lively, dramatic presentation of David's life as seen in the Psalms by Alexander Maclaren. As devotional or inspirational reading or as background reading for a sermon or series of sermons on David it is unsurpassed. One will be surprised to find just how strikingly the Psalms do reflect the circumstances of David's life as shown in the historical books of the Bible. Order this unique book from the publisher or from the Baptist Book Store. After December 31, 1955 the price will be \$3.

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### SUMMER WORKERS WRITE

Don Stewart, Orrville and Rittman, Ohio: ". . . we have been going from daylight until dark . . . we came with Rev. Hall to Orrville where two of us are working these two weeks . . . have visited about 50 homes . . . work is hard but very rewarding . . . Lost people are fairly plentiful, but they are hardened against God . . . Pray that the Holy Spirit will convict in a great way the souls of the lost people here. Tell everyone in Mississippi, 'hello,' please. May God bless you all in your work there."

### SSM REACHES \$2609.58

Gifts from Perkinson Jr. (\$25) and First Church, Jackson (\$50) brings the Student Summer Missions Fund to \$2609.58 on the \$3000 goal.

### MISCELLANEA

If you'll send your registration fee (\$2) into this office by return mail, you can probably get a space for Student Week at Glorieta Aug. 25-31.

Some of us are continuing to pray for the establishment of a BSU Directorship for Jackson and Hinds County. Sentiment continues to grow.

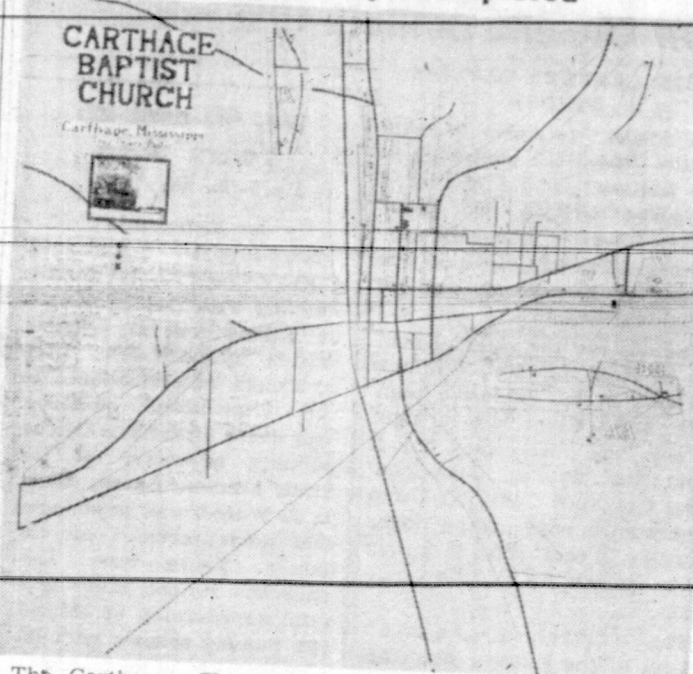
Stanley Stamps, formerly of Miss. College, is doing mission work in California this summer.

Jeanne Nelms, former BSU Director for Perkinson Jr., received her M.R.E. from Golden Gate Seminary this spring.

Kenneth Flynt, President; Bill Cain, V. P.; John Dallallo, Extension Chairman; Erlene Ward, Sec'y-Treas.; Tommye Harvey, Social Chairman; Joyce Clinton, Devotional Chairman; Virginia Wu, Pianist, and Betty Ruth Walley, Publicity Chairman, are the Summer BSU Officers at William Carey.

Recently graduated seniors, don't forget to transfer your church membership as soon as possible.

## Carthage As It Looks On A Church Survey Map, Recently Completed



The Carthage Church has many newly discovered possibilities, according to a Church Survey program recently conducted there by Rev. John W. Wells, field secretary, Home Mission Board. This survey has revealed that the Sunday School possibilities for the church and Mission are 1003; Training Union 803; the Brotherhood, including the Young Men's Brotherhood and Intermediate and Junior Royal Ambassadors, 204; the Woman's Missionary Union, including the WMS, Auxiliary and Sunbeams, 531.

One of the outstanding features of the survey was the construction of a map of the area surveyed. (shown above) The map measures 64 square feet in area, and is scaled 9 inches to the 1/4 mile. Five colors are used in striking ways to show various boundaries, streets, churches, places of business and homes. Each dwelling place was properly located and is so marked as to indicate the church affiliation of the family.

### CHOWAN GETS \$40,000

MURFREESBORO, N. C. — (BP) — A businessman from Emporia, Va., offered to give \$40,000 to Chowan (Junior) College here if the college would erect a \$75,000 science building named in honor of his mother. The mother of Donor Rufus J. Green is a former student at Chowan.

living in it. The value of the map is placed at \$2500.00.

The white population of Carthage was broken down into the following age groups:

Adults, 25 years of age and up, 975; Young People 17-24, 144; Intermediates 13-16, 87; Juniors 9-12, 83; Primaries 6-8, 83; Beginners, 4-5, 48 and Nursery birth — 3,128.

This gives the white population within the city limits of 1548. The total population of the area surveyed within the Carthage community is 1898. There is a total of 600 houses and a total of 667 families.

The Rev. Mr. Wells was ably assisted by Rev. Martin Gilbert, Secretary of the Rural Church Department of the State Convention Board and the following Superintendents of Association Missions: Rev. James Harrell, Wayne County Association; Rev. Lester James, Tippah Association; Rev. E. L. Howell, Mississippi Association; Rev. M. H. Ward, Leake Association, Kosciusko; and the staff of the Carthage Church which includes Rev. Troy Prince, pastor; Rev. Duane Ivey, Mission Pastor; and Miss June Waldrop, Educational Director.

Several special speakers appeared during the week of services. Sponsoring the event was the Department of Rural Church Work, Rev. Martin J. Gilbert, secretary.

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## 'Give It Back To The Indians,' New England Settlers Told

(17th CENTURY BAPTIST  
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BOSTON, December 27, 1633

"Give the land back to the Indians" is the gist of a pamphlet written by plain spoken Roger Williams, the controversial Puritan minister who is waging a one-man war for individual liberties.

Indians are the rightful owners of New England, Williams declares in his explosive pamphlet, and settlers have no right to any land unless they buy it from the natives. Massachusetts Governor John Winthrop requested a copy of the paper to study in confidence and then made known its startling contents.

The minister, a staunch friend of the Indians since his arrival in the colonies, further declares that the charter granted the Massachusetts Bay Company by King Charles for the exploitation of New England specifically states that land acquired by settlers is to be purchased from the Indians.

Governor Winthrop today called a meeting of his council to study the pamphlet. The lawmakers plainly are distressed by the furor which Williams charges are creating.

Voicing a common opinion the governor said in a prepared statement, "The Indians have no more than a natural right to this country. If we leave them enough land to live on, it is all right if we take the rest. The Indians should be glad to have us here as neighbors. Besides, the plague which killed so many Indians just before the arrival of settlers is evidence that God was preparing a place for us here."

A councilman who preferred not to be quoted pointed out that while the settlers may have the Lord on their side Williams probably has the law on his.

The governor is anxious to quell the disturbance as it could lead to revocation of the charter of the Massachusetts government if news of the controversy reaches England. Already English authorities have accused the colony of rebellion, severing allegiance, separating from the laws of the church and state of England, and other forms of sedition.

Governor Winthrop doubts less is disturbed by current reports that a royal governor may be appointed over Massachusetts to bring the colonies under closer surveillance of the king. At the same time the local government has pledged to the colonists that it will oppose further interference from England—to the extent of recruiting a militia.

The council is not expected

### 50, 40 and 25 Years Ago

By J. L. BOYD Sr.

50 Years Ago  
MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION NUMBER:  
Meeting with Baptist church at Tupelo and at opening session "private" John Allen of Tupelo was introduced to the Convention audience. The death of former Corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board, Elder T. J. Walne, was announced and prayer offered for the family. There were 1306 churches in the state with total membership of 109,286; 587 Sunday schools with enrollment of 32,588. Editor T. J. Bailey of the Baptist Record reports that the paper has \$9,000 owing to it for back subscriptions. And many brethren spoke fervently for the paper to be continued. Total gifts for all purposes amounted to \$99,246.89 as compared to \$76,874.73 the previous year.

#### 40 Years Ago

The First (Galilee) Church, Gloster, dedicated their new house of worship under the leadership of Pastor G. S. Dobbins. The building is "a model of convenience and equipment for service" and is the third since the church moved to the town from the country when the town was built. Galilee church was organized in 1824.

The heading at the mast head of the Young People's Department is "Teams in Training". It is the transition period from Baptist Young Peoples Union (B.Y.P.U.) to Baptist Training Union (B.T.U.)—Some folks didn't like the terminology and objected to the change of name.

The Highland Church Meridian, closed a very successful meeting of days in which Rev. Harry Leland Martin of Indianola did the preaching. Results: fourteen additions, twelve for baptism.

to consider the validity of the charges made by Williams in his pamphlet, but to study means of silencing the stormy Puritan. Williams' penchant for defending the ungarnished truth has proved a source of endless embarrassment for church and civic leaders since his arrival in Boston almost three years ago.

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### My Favorite Bible Verse

I. By Mrs. Walter Neal,  
Monticello

"Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." (Ephesians 6:11, King James Version)

II. By Mrs. J. K. Harrin, Pace  
"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth

in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16, King James)

III. Mrs. Loney Albritton,  
Picayune

"The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear; the Lord is the strength of my life, of whom shall I be afraid?" Psalms

IV. Mrs. Susie Gandy,  
Pascagoula

"Seek ye first the kingdom

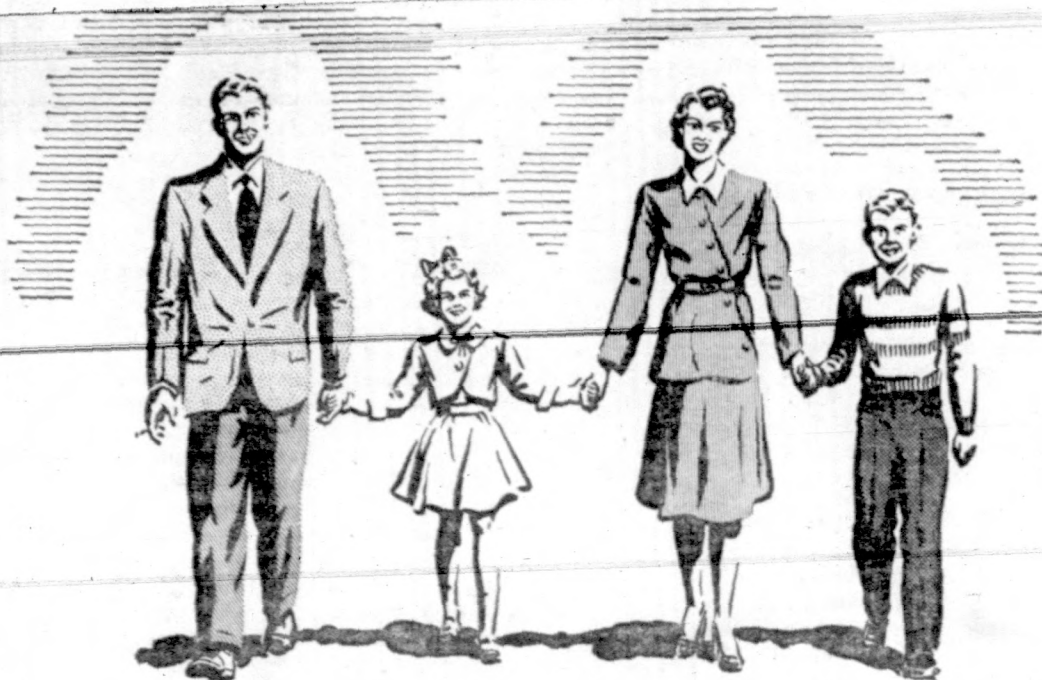
of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." Matthew 6:33

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Crestwood Church is planning a banquet for the men of the church on Thursday evening, July 14, at 7:30. They are urged to bring their families.

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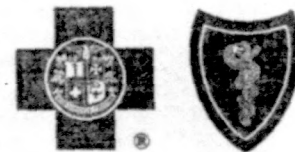
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### THE RIDGECREST BUS

A bus is going to Ridgcrest from Jackson for the first Sunday school week, August 10-18. There are available places on it and we shall be very glad to hear from any who would like to go on that bus, which will be air-conditioned.

However, you will have to have your reservation at Ridgcrest. We do not make those. So, if you have your reservation at Ridgcrest, and want a place on our bus, please let us know right away, and we shall write you the particulars.

### AVOID BUILDING MISTAKES

Mistakes of any kind are usually costly. Sometimes the cost is not in money, and sometimes it is. Anyway, they hinder rather than help.

Mistakes in church buildings can be very expensive, and often so unnecessary. Not that perfect buildings for all time to come are possible, but they can be planned so that at least for a time they will serve the right purpose, and do it in such a way that the greatest benefits will be the result.

Here are some suggestions that will help us to avoid many of the mistakes in our church buildings:

1. Have First a Plan and Survey Committee. It is so important to first know what we need before we begin building. That takes time, and often quite a bit of it. But when the needs are known, then the building can be erected that will best serve the over-all purpose of the church. This Committee is necessary in order to help us avoid the mistakes that often occur.

2. Get Enough Property. This becomes more important day by day, because of the need for off-street parking, as well as the building itself. So, get more property. It may cost more than it is really worth, but if the church needs it, it is worth more to the church than to any one else.

3. Adopt Overall Program. It is wise to adopt whatever program that will be needed for a long period of time, even though it may have to be built one unit at a time. In this way, when it is completed, it will be as if all were built at the same time.

4. Secure Experienced Architect. Many churches have lost in many ways because they used an architect who was not familiar with our Baptist program. Just because one is an architect does not at all mean that he knows our way of doing things. The department of church architecture, of the Baptist Sunday School Board, does nothing but study and plan church buildings, from the least

to the largest churches. Consult them for help with your building. There is a service and not something to sell. They have nothing to sell you, neither now nor later.

5. Adopt a Sound Financial Program. This program can be worked in different ways, but it is a necessary part of the work. If a church has one-third of the estimated cost when construction is begun; gets one-third during the construction, and then borrows one-third, it is a good plan. Of course, the more cash on hand at the time to build, the better always.

So many churches are now in need of more building, and many of them will be in a building program soon. In order to get the most for our money, and for the help of the people, give careful consideration to all points. Then we shall get more and better.

### IT'S BIG BUSINESS NOW

"Large oaks from little acorns grow," runs an old adage.

And it also applies to Vacation Bible schools, as well as other phases of our life.

We have received the report of the Vacation Bible school of the Daniel Memorial church, Jackson, and they had a total enrolment of 681, which is mighty close to 700.

They used a total of 71 department textbooks, had 154 on the faculty, made 960 points on the standard in division A, with 96 per cent, enrolled ten not in Sunday school, ran ten days, and gave \$108.40 as a mission offering to the Cooperative Program.

Yes, sir, Brother, that's big business! Not only is it big in figures, but it is also big in the results in the lives of the boys and girls, and even the workers.

We hereby extend to this church our very sincere congratulations on having the largest Vacation Bible school in the state. We are proud of them and appreciate the immense amount of work that was required to have such a school as this. But it was time well spent, and will pay big dividends in the days ahead.

Dr. Lewis E. Rhodes is the pastor of this splendid church.

RIDGECREST, N. C., Students representing eleven southern states were installed as officers of the staff at Ridgcrest Baptist Assembly by Miss Dorothy Sears, Director of Staff Activities for the Assembly. Johnny Goodwin from Utica, Mississippi, will serve as president.

## Inman Ordained Malaya Baptists Ordain Ministers



Houston Inman was ordained to gospel ministry in June, by the Riverside Church of Clarksdale, where Rev. C. C. Carraway is the pastor.

Mr. Inman, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Inman of Clarksdale, is a student at Mississippi College. He is also pastor of the Ogden Church at Bentonla.

The ordination sermon was preached by Rev. Calvin Inman, a brother to Rev. Houston Inman.

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Joseph B. Stewart, Jr., of Marshallville, Ga., has been added to the advertising department staff of the Sunday School Board. Mrs. Ann Moore Lane has been named floor sales supervisor of the Nashville Baptist Book Store.

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### Hospital To Get High Type Students

Applicants for the Gilfoy School of Nursing at Mississippi Baptist Hospital are now being processed for the freshman class which will enroll this fall. This group will be the first to be screened under the new selection program instituted in the School of Nursing, according to Miss Barbara Odom, director of nurses.

Following completion of routine application blanks, the potential students are invited to visit the School of Nursing, where they tour the hospital. A psychological testing program is conducted by members of the faculty from Mississippi College in Clinton. A complete battery of tests including A. C. E., Barrett-Ryan English, Iowa reading and an interest inventory are administered to all the prospective students.

These factors, together with high school records, personal recommendations and the results of the psychological testing, are used to aid the admissions committee in selecting the students for the August class.

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Those who tell the truth have nothing to remember.

More than 100 people witnessed the ordination of two young men to the gospel ministry at Penang, Malaya. It was a glorious day for missionaries and national Christians, for the three Baptist churches and four chapels of North Malaya had been served by only two preachers, Chen Choo Kang and Greene W. Strother, Southern Baptist Missionary.

One of the happiest people at the ordination service was Mrs. Sung, the 63-year-old "Mother" of Baptist work in Malaya. It was her first such service. In fact, less than 20 of those in attendance had ever witnessed an ordination.

Linguistic ability is one of the qualities sought for in a minister in Malaya. Five Chinese dialects are used in the

country. From the central part northward the Swatow and Fokien dialects are dominant, while some sections of Penang use Cantonese almost entirely.

Both of the newly ordained preachers speak three dialects. Both have interesting backgrounds.

Huang Shih Kung was a third-generation Christian in a Presbyterian family. The ordained pastor of a church of the Gospel Mission in Formosa, he began the first immersionist church group in Formosa before he had any contacts with Baptists.

Mrs. Strother said, "We believe firmly that the Lord sent Huang Shih Kung to us. We had been in Penang six months when our little church of 39 members was organized; but we did not even have a Swatow-speaking leader in sight. Dr. Strother pastored the church for one and a half years, preaching in Mandarin which all the men and students understood. Interpreters in Swatow or Cantonese were used for the benefit of those who could not understand.

"We felt it imperative that we have a Chinese man who could lead his own people. We prayed much those first six months. Then, as we knelt praying God to send us his man to help us, there was a knock on the study door. We opened the door and there saw an attractive, tall, clean-cut man about 40 years old. Speaking in Mandarin he began telling us that he had just arrived from Formosa and that he felt led to call on us."

The man was Mr. Huang. He is now in charge of a fast-growing group of believers in a chapel at Butterworth, just across the Strait from Penang.

The second candidate, Jacob Lin, is the son of a Swatow Baptist preacher. He led the oldest and largest Baptist church in Southeast Asia (Bangkok, Thailand) for seven years; but he had never been ordained. He

## Counselor's Corner

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON



Dr. Hudson, pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind" for the Baptist Record.

### Capitol Punishment

Question: The question of capitol punishment has come up several times recently where I am pastor. I answered the question from the Old Testament scriptures, but the people want to know if the New Testament scripture teach capitol punishment. Would you answer this for me?

Answer: Jesus assumed a normal penal code in Matthew 5:25-26. And Paul referred to a law enforcement in Romans 13:1-4. But the question of capitol punishment is not to be settled by a proof text. The real problem is the protection of society in an effective and just and Christian manner.

Human nature being what it is, I am not sure that society can be protected without the death penalty for some. Fear is a strong force in human life. Also I am not sure but that death by law is the kindest thing that can come to some twisted personalities. Too, one life taken may prevent the destruction of five others. It is not Christian to turn the other cheek to an abnormal person. It will not redeem him. At least, you do not have the right to turn your neighbor's cheek.

The best Christian approach to criminal persons is to work at preventing them where possible, and curing others when possible. But this is a large order. Until we find better means, and prove that the criminal can be changed, we ought to be one hundred per cent for deterring crime by capitol punishment. The mentally twisted are always with us.

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Mo.)

will now take over the pastorate of the Penang Baptist Church, leaving Dr. Strother free to give himself more to the seminary, to the work of evangelism, and to the English worship services.

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Mr. William S. Haynie, State Supervisor of Public School Music in Mississippi will lead again in the very popular titled Anthem, Sight Reading and Materials. This class proved last

year to be one of the most popular classes in our entire school. The materials used in this course will be entirely new. Don't miss Mr. Haynie. This course is designed for Ministers of Music and Advanced Students of Music.

Mrs. Loren Williams will be with us again and assist Dr. Williams with the Graded Choir Work in the First Baptist Church in Nashville, Tennessee and has had wide and varied experiences in all fields of Church Music. Remember the date is August 1-5.

## Prof. At Southwestern



Lee H. McCoy, native of Oklahoma, has been added to the faculty of the Southwestern Seminary as professor of education administration and adult work in the School of Religious Education. He came to the position from Abilene Texas, where he has been director of religious education since 1953. He has also served churches in Virginia and Oklahoma.

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**CHILDREN'S SERMONS IN STORIES** (Abingdon Press, Nashville, Tennessee, \$2) is written by Dr. Julius Fischbach, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Lansing, Michigan since 1936. Since his college days Dr. Fischbach has been interested in working with children—delivering children's sermons, teaching in children's departments, and giving talks on their worship programs. He has written several books for children and his latest, **CHILDREN'S SERMONS IN STORIES**, contains 31 story-sermons that children will love and that ministers, Sunday School teachers, and parents will find useful. The story themes are intriguing and the characters are "real-life." Order from the Baptist Book Store or the publisher.

## Puzzle Answers

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

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### Jackson:

|                              |      |     |
|------------------------------|------|-----|
| Alta Woods                   | 564  | 240 |
| Parkway                      | 1039 | 480 |
| Calvary                      | 1443 | 393 |
| Main School                  | 1395 | 370 |
| Mission                      | 48   | 23  |
| Crestwood                    | 691  | 429 |
| Ridgecrest                   | 310  | 95  |
| Pearl (Rankin)               | 189  | 98  |
| Briar Hill (Rankin)          | 67   | 43  |
| Clinton                      | 416  | 148 |
| Springfield (Scott)          | 118  | 60  |
| D'Lo                         | 84   | 47  |
| New Prospect (Desoto)        | 117  | 94  |
| Morton, First                | 50   | 55  |
| Concord (Choctaw)            | 105  | 95  |
| Pascagoula, Eastlawn         | 184  | 91  |
| Stonewall                    | 208  | 120 |
| Calvary (Alcorn)             | 98   | 66  |
| Calhoun City, First          | 309  | 151 |
| Union Sr.                    | 83   | 99  |
| Bethel (Pearl River)         | 165  | 112 |
| Spanish Fort (Sharkey Issa.) | 41   | 14  |

## Weaver Ordained



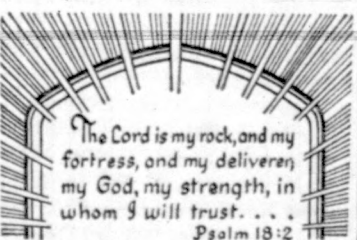
Author Earl Weaver, son of Mrs. Otis Kirks of Calhoun City, was ordained to the gospel ministry by the First Church, Calhoun City, Sunday, July 3.

The ordaining counsel was composed of 27 Deacons and Ministers of Calhoun County.

The examination of the candidate was made by Rev. L. F. Haire, Calhoun Associational Missionary. The charge to the candidate and to the church was given by Rev. A. H. Childress of Bruce, Rev. A. F. Brasher, pastor of Mt. Moriah Church lead in the ordaining prayer and the pastor Rev. C. H. Cutrell brought the ordination Message.

A. E. is a sophomore at Miss. College. He is the pastor of Banner Church in Calhoun County.

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## Miss. Grads At Southwestern



Shown above are four Mississippians who are among the 127 students graduating from the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Ft. Worth on July 15. Left to right, they are: Bartis B. Harper, Gulfport, B. D.; Ray Paul Raddin, Hattiesburg, B. D.; Mrs. Ray Paul Raddin, Hattiesburg, B. R. E.; Catherine Carpenter Thiele, Brookhaven, M. R. E.

Dr. James G. Harris, pastor of the University Baptist Church, Fort Worth, Texas, will deliver the baccalaureate address. Commencement exercises will be held in Truett Auditorium at 10:00 a. m. Friday, July 15.

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|-----------------------------|-----|-----|------------------------|-----|-----|
| Gulfport, Grace             |     |     | Pearlhaven             | 155 | 66  |
| Memorial                    | 234 | 53  | Brookhaven, Hamilton   | 119 | 48  |
| Grenada, First              | 733 | 174 | New Sight (Lincoln)    | 116 | 52  |
| Jackson, Southside          | 301 | 151 | Columbia, First        | 757 | 260 |
| Meridian, Southside         | 436 | 201 | Main School            | 670 | 222 |
| Bay St. Louis, First        | 141 | 52  | S. Columbia            | 87  | 33  |
| Greenwood, Calvary          | 479 | 156 | Bunker Hill (Marion)   | 192 | 118 |
| Cross Roads (Rankin County) | 50  | 45  | Brookhaven, First      | 844 | 302 |
| Pelahatchie                 | 159 | 71  | Main                   | 716 | 203 |
| Wheeler Grove (Alcorn)      | 131 | 135 | Southway               | 99  | 68  |
| Sharon, First               | 170 | 107 | Halbert Heights        | 38  | 31  |
| Petal-Harvey                | 372 | 153 | Murphy Creek (Winston) | 150 | 103 |
| Main School                 | 343 |     |                        |     |     |
| Richton Road                | 29  |     |                        |     |     |
| Soso, First                 | 174 | 97  |                        |     |     |
| Ripley, First               | 332 | 87  |                        |     |     |
| Newton, First               | 417 | 171 |                        |     |     |
| Hattiesburg, Temple         | 526 | 158 |                        |     |     |
| Darling                     | 133 | 63  |                        |     |     |
| McComb, Friendship          | 194 | 106 |                        |     |     |
| Ruleville                   | 271 | 145 |                        |     |     |
| Crowder                     | 190 | 110 |                        |     |     |
| Silver City                 | 51  | 44  |                        |     |     |
| Eupora, First               | 552 | 72  |                        |     |     |
| Bethlehem (Jones)           | 166 | 133 |                        |     |     |
| Picayune, First             | 571 | 139 |                        |     |     |
| Gillsburg                   | 188 | 116 |                        |     |     |
| Kosciusko, First            | 768 | 224 |                        |     |     |
| Main School                 | 747 |     |                        |     |     |
| Maple Mission               | 21  |     |                        |     |     |
| Longview (Oktibbeha)        | 102 | 69  |                        |     |     |
| Marks, First                | 244 | 72  |                        |     |     |
| Laurel, Highland            | 197 | 108 |                        |     |     |
| Mt. Zion (Lincoln)          | 130 | 65  |                        |     |     |
| East Philadelphia           | 135 | 100 |                        |     |     |
| Meridian, Eastview          | 170 | 100 |                        |     |     |
| Wayside (Yalobusha)         | 63  | 37  |                        |     |     |
| Charleston, First           | 371 | 150 |                        |     |     |
| Mt. Pleasant (Holmes)       | 30  | 33  |                        |     |     |
| Beulah (Brownsville)        | 99  | 53  |                        |     |     |
| Cleveland, Immanuel         | 167 | 93  |                        |     |     |
| Harmony (Jones)             | 155 | 66  |                        |     |     |
| Pleasant Ridge (Holmes)     | 72  | 62  |                        |     |     |
| Pascagoula, First           | 754 | 244 |                        |     |     |
| Main School                 | 597 | 185 |                        |     |     |
| McArthur Chapel             | 47  |     |                        |     |     |
| Orange Grove                | 110 | 59  |                        |     |     |
| Ruth                        | 66  | 55  |                        |     |     |
| West Ellisville             | 158 | 98  |                        |     |     |
| Clarksdale                  | 428 | 145 |                        |     |     |
| Fair River (Lincoln)        | 118 | 64  |                        |     |     |
| Pilgrim's Rest              | 80  | 71  |                        |     |     |
| Biloxi, Trinity             | 223 | 66  |                        |     |     |
| Biloxi, East                |     |     |                        |     |     |
| Howard                      | 205 | 111 |                        |     |     |
| Yazoo City, First           | 549 | 144 |                        |     |     |
| Hornlake                    | 166 | 96  |                        |     |     |
| Gulfport, First             | 873 | 244 |                        |     |     |
| Vicksburg, First            | 552 | 168 |                        |     |     |
| Sallis                      | 97  | 34  |                        |     |     |
| Brookhaven,                 |     |     |                        |     |     |

July 3, 1955

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|------------------------------|-----|-----|
| Kosciusko, First             | 679 | 232 |
| Main School                  | 658 |     |
| Maple Mission                | 658 |     |
| Meridian, Poplar Springs Dr. | 411 | 144 |
| Spanish Fort                 | 48  | 22  |
| New Sight (Lincoln)          | 117 | 74  |
| Lucedale                     | 400 | 149 |
| Petal-Harvey                 | 372 | 125 |
| Main School                  | 320 |     |
| Harvey S. S.                 | 31  |     |
| Richton Road                 | 21  |     |
| Wayside (Yalobusha)          | 57  | 48  |
| New Albany, First            | 656 | 168 |
| Main School                  | 600 | 141 |
| North Side Mission           | 56  | 27  |
| Brookhaven, Pearlhaven       | 154 | 70  |
| Greenwood, Calvary           | 418 | 123 |
| Murphy Creek (Winston)       | 122 | 83  |
| Wheeler Grove (Alcorn)       | 152 | 125 |
| Calvary (Alcorn)             | 104 | 70  |
| Soso, First                  | 128 | 75  |
| Bethlehem (Jones)            | 164 | 118 |
| Ruth                         | 67  | 62  |
| Union Sr.                    | 119 | 124 |
| Pilgrims Rest (Copiah)       | 80  | 53  |
| Ripley, First                | 326 | 110 |
| Yazoo City, First            | 503 | 135 |
| Corinth, Tate Street         | 237 | 58  |
| Long Beach                   | 204 | 75  |
| New Hope (Marion)            | 213 | 191 |
| Cleveland, First             | 371 | 68  |
| Longview (Oktibbeha)         | 94  | 45  |

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## Seminary Extension Department Adds New Associate August 1



Rev. Ray K. Hodge, pastor Youngsville, North Carolina, has accepted the position as associate to Dr. Lee Gallman, director of the Seminary Extension Department of the Southern Baptist Seminary. He is a graduate of Mars Hill Junior College, Wake Forest College, and Southeastern Baptist Seminary. He will begin his work August 1.

The Extension Department will add another associate later this summer or early fall. The Rev. Mr. Hodge will be the field director for the Atlantic Seaboard area, but will also travel in other states wherever he is needed. Extension centers have been developing rapidly throughout the Convention territory. The addition of associates will enable the Department to offer closer supervision of teaching, establish more centers, and offer its services more effectively.

In the above photo Dr. Gallman (left) goes over plans with the Rev. Mr. Hodge.

In Mississippi extension centers have been operated in Jackson, Forest, Philadelphia, Batesville, Winona, Pontotoc, Tupelo, McLain, Corinth, Leaksville, Richton, Mathiston, and Lucedale.

During the four years that the Seminary Extension Department has been in operation, the director has been in thirty states promoting the work. Last year he traveled over 60,000 miles by car.

Plans are under way for a greatly enlarged program for the Department. This will include a wider circulation of promotional materials, increased number of courses, and extended personal contacts. New emphasis is being studied so that church leaders may obtain credit for courses completed through the Department.

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## Life Dedication Marks Conference

Seventy-two furloughing missionaries, 28 newly appointed missionaries, and six emeritus missionaries attended and took part in the Foreign Missions Conference at Ridgecrest, June 30-July 6. The combined registration for the Foreign Missions, the Brotherhood, and the Writers' Conferences, which met simultaneously, reached 1,681.

A high light of each morning's service was the testimonies of three missionaries as each related an unforgettable experience. A missionary spoke each evening at lakeside vespers, and all missionaries helped in the various conferences arranged for all ages.

An international lawn party gave conferees an opportunity to meet and talk informally with the missionaries, many of whom dressed in costumes from their adopted countries.

Climax of the week of inspiration and information came on Sunday when more than 200 young people walked down the aisles dedicating themselves to the Lord's will for their lives. Many of these indicated they felt a definite call to foreign mission service.

## In Paul Truitt Meet

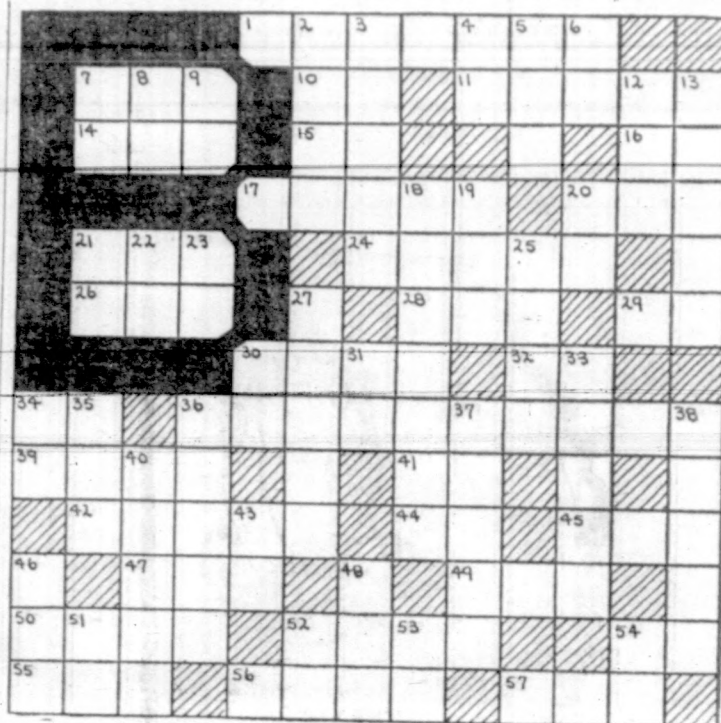


Rev. J. F. Stanford, pastor Pelahatchie Church, will be the evangelist for the revival at Paul Truitt Church, Rankin County, July 17-24. Services daily at 10 A.M. and 7:45 P.M. Rev. J. L. Reeves is pastor.

## Want To Go To Ridgecrest On Air-Conditioned Bus?

Rev. Roy Self, superintendent of missions, Yazoo-Madison Association, has announced that there are several seats left on an air-conditioned Greyhound bus that will leave Yazoo City Aug. 24 for Sunday School week at Ridgecrest.

The bus will return Sept. 1. The total cost of trip has been estimated from \$50-\$60. Any adults or young people interested please contact Rev. Mr. Self, Care First Baptist Church, Yazoo City.



### Mark 10 ACROSS

- 1 "sat by the highway side . . ." :46
- 7 "they call the blind . . ." :49
- 10 Railroad (abbr.)
- 11 "And Jesus . . . still" :49
- 14 See 33 down
- 15 Indian Empire (abbr.)
- 16 . . . of the Chaldees Gen. 11:28
- 17 "that he should hold his . . ." :48
- 20 Greek letter
- 21 "commanded . . . to be called" :49
- 24 Weeds
- 26 "to cry out, and . . ." :47
- 28 " . . . by the way side begging" Luke 18:35
- 29 "when he heard that . . . was Jesus of Nazareth" :47
- 30 "What . . . thou that I should do" :51
- 32 New Brunswick (abbr.)
- 34 Capital of Moab Num. 21:15
- 36 "blind . . ." :46
- 39 "cried the more a great . . ." :48

## Swor To Lead Crystal Revival



### Chester Swor

Dr. Chester E. Swor, outstanding Baptist Youth leader, will conduct Spiritual Emphasis Week at First Church, Crystal Springs, July 18-24. Rev. A. Estus Mason is pastor.

- 41 Compass point
- 42 "thy . . . hath made thee whole" :52
- 44 Grain (abbr.)
- 45 Algebra (abbr.)
- 47 Royal Naval Reserves (abbr.)
- 49 Is able to
- 50 "Be of . . . comfort" :49
- 52 "casting . . . his garment" :50
- 54 By
- 55 Division of geological time
- 56 " . . . he calleth thee" :49
- 57 "and followed Jesus in the . . ." :52

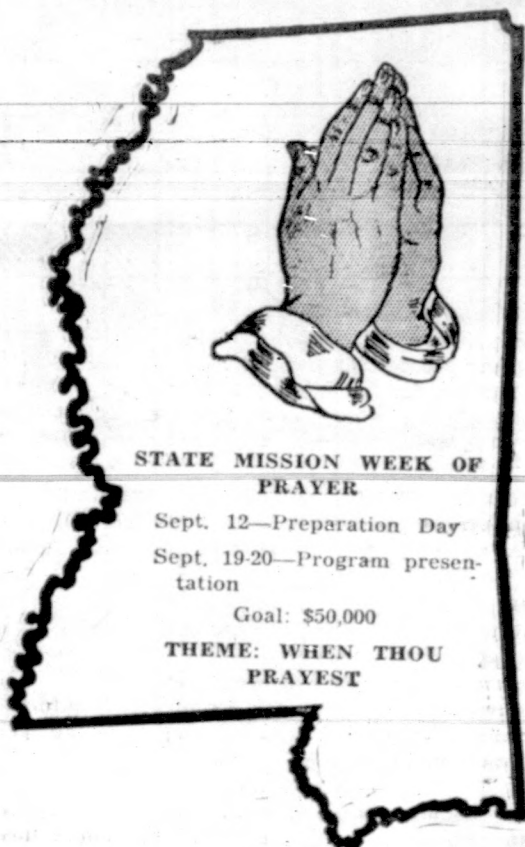
### DOWN

- 2 One of the Great Lakes
- 3 "a . . . number of people" :46
- 4 Form of the verb "be"
- 5 Normal temperature and (abbr.)
- 6 " . . . thy way" :52
- 7 Medical Corps (abbr.)
- 8 Same as 34 across
- 9 Middle Atlantic State (abbr.)
- 12 "as he went . . . of Jericho" :46
- 13 Current of air
- 18 " . . . away his garment" :50
- 19 Period of time
- 20 Plural ending of some nouns
- 21 High School (abbr.)
- 22 North Central State (abbr.)
- 23 "that I might receive . . . sight" :51
- 25 Vessel for heating liquids
- 27 Origin
- 30 West Africa (abbr.)
- 31 Lieutenant (abbr.)
- 33 and 14 across "he . . . to . . . out" :47
- 34 Newspaper item
- 35 Referee (abbr.)
- 36 "a certain . . . man" Luke 18:35
- 37 "have . . . on me" :48
- 38 "immediately he received his . . ." :52
- 40 High Priest and brother of Moses
- 43 Troop (abbr.)
- 46 Period of time
- 48 Royal Society of Painters in Water Colors (abbr.)
- 51 Ordnance Officer (abbr.)
- 52 Royal city of the Canaanites Josh. 8:1
- 53 Agricultural Engineer (abbr.)
- 54 Affirmative vote (var.)



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The Negro Women's Institute program is one of the "strongest and best" programs that we have ever planned. It should be of unusual interest to the leadership among the Negro women. Please tell the Negro women in your area about it and urges them to attend.

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### Sunday School Board Plans New Materials

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BSSB) The Baptist Sunday School Board plans to have available for distribution within a few weeks a pamphlet which will offer guidance in the establishment and administration of church kindergartens.

This is the result of a kindergarten curriculum conference, directed by Dr. James C. Barry, editor of weekday materials, held recently at the Board.

Dr. Barry said that definite plans have been made for the production of curricular materials, which are now being written and will be available in 1956 for use in church kindergartens.

—BR—

"Attend church Sunday, and have your faith lifted!"

### WMS CONFERENCE LEADER



Miss Mary Essie Stephens

The conference for PROGRAM CHAIRMEN at the WMS CAMP at Garaywa will be led by Miss Mary Essie Stephens, Executive Secretary of Alabama WMU. This will be of unusual interest to the Program charmen and each member of her committee. An hour and a half each day will be given to presenting plans and suggestions for the Missionary Programs for next year.

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## Canadian Baptists

By J. W. STORER

Immediate Past President  
Southern Baptist Convention  
On Sunday night, May 1, in Toronto, Canada, one of the most epochal and moving gatherings of Baptists in my experience was held. It was called the "Rally for Advance," staged under the auspices of the Baptist Convention of Toronto and Quebec, in co-operation with seven associations. Meeting in the University Arena were between 5,000 and 6,000 Baptists.

The program was simple and geared to a deeper consecration, a quickened witness and an acceptance of the Great Commission both as to Canada and beyond the seas.

A magnificent choir, carefully trained and beautifully voiced, simply thrilled my soul. I longed for it to appear before the Southern Baptist Convention some time; we would be better for it, and our understanding of our Canadian brethren would be more as it should.

### Study Habits Pay

By Dr. LEE GALLMAN

Manyread books, but few study. It is helpful to read many books but serious study must accompany this fast perusal if a proper balance is kept. A course in some worthy field forces one to confront issues and solve problems.

Take the course on the church by Dr. Dobbins, for example. In lesson twelve, Dr. Dobbins makes the student confront the issue of the church as an integral part of the community. Its function serving Christ on one hand and serving the community on the other hand would be overlooked in a program of reading. But here it becomes a factor to consider, an issue to face.

In the course New Testament 112 Dr. Stagg makes the student confront the question of psychological temptations. The text raised the question but in careless reading one would tend to overlook the implications. In New Testament 152 Dr. McDowell focuses attention upon the confession at Caesarea Philippi in such a manner as to cause the student to ask questions and seek for answers. A pluperfect translation clarifies a problem. This would be overlooked by fast reading. Theology, Religious Education, and Evangelism all contain the same contrasts in the learning process one finds a place to do something. In doing learning is better established.

Yet reading develops an enlarged concept of areas of study and should not be overlooked. A good plan is to study in a given area and read through the fields of inquiry involved. Thus one can compare ideas and concepts of many thinkers. This is the process in education.

## Texas Baptist Haven Opened On July 10

HOUSTON, Tex. — (BP) — Texas Baptist Haven, a home for the aged, opened here July 10 with Mrs. Ella O. Skinner, 74, Houston, as its first resident.

The Haven, built by Texas Southern Baptists for \$345,000, will not be officially dedicated until October, when the state Baptist convention holds its yearly session here.

More than 100 elderly persons in the state have applied for residence, according to James C. Wilson, Haven superintendent.

ren would be more as it should. A young Baptist preacher, the Rev. Arthur Poynter, has trained the musicians from all Toronto churches for five years. How they can sing!

Two young men and two young women told what Jesus Christ had done for them and why they had dedicated their lives for definite Christian service. It was as if I were listening to our Foreign Mission candidates at the appointment meetings in Richmond.

Following them it was my privilege to speak to the packed arena, after the introduction by Dr. T. B. McDormand, Convention general secretary. Never have I had a more responsive hearing to what our Lord commanded in the Great Commission.

When the final word of the dedication hymn, "When I Survey The Wondrous Cross," had come, it looked to me as if a third of the people stood — by so doing pledging themselves to an all-out evangelism and church responsibility — in the name of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the only Saviour from sin.

Canadian Baptists have had to endure much of the same dissentious attacks as have Southern Baptists, and only now is the day clearing for them. But, a new hope has come to them, and all of us will be grateful for their aggressive spirit of evangelism, and church extension. They have a good name for it, "FRONTIERS FOR EXTENSION AND EVANGELISM."

Comparatively small in numbers, they are steadily moving into a place of leadership. Toronto has a population of one and a half million, one of the fastest growing cities in the world. Since 1945, seven new, attractive Baptist church buildings have been erected, nine sites for other Baptist churches have been acquired, and another six acres are under study by the department of church extension.

All members of our household of faith will rejoice with our Canadian brethren in the manner with which they are entering their door of opportunity and responsibility.

—A Baptist Press Feature.

## Sparks & Splinters

The Chaplains Commission reported 458 Southern Baptist chaplains on duty, of which one-third are overseas. In addition, there are 405 reserve chaplains. The chaplains on duty reported 16,195 professions of faith.

During the summer Rev. and Mrs. Robert Foy are living in Cruger where he is pastor. They will return to New Orleans in September for his third year.

Rev. Claude Howe, West Point, will do the preaching in the revival at Elmo Church, Union Association, July 31-August 5. Rev. Sam Barfoot is the pastor.

William A. Gardiner, retired former Sunday school secretary for the Kentucky state Baptist convention, died in Louisville. He was 71. (BP)

Cuban Baptists have voted to invite the Baptist World Alliance Congress to meet in Havana, Cuba, during its 1960 session. The vote was taken during the Cuban Baptist Convention in April. A. T. Bequer, pastor of Cienfuegos, was re-elected president of the Convention. Cuban Baptists report that there are now 84 churches in the Convention, with 8,000 members. Over 16,000 are enrolled in Sunday schools.

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BSSB) —Miss Albertina Hare has accepted a position as field consultant with the Church Library Service, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville. Miss Hare conducts conferences at Baptist assemblies and revitalizes or organizes church libraries.

The American Bible Society distributed 9,000,071 volumes of Scriptures in the United States last year and 6,391,163 volumes abroad, according to reports of the 139th annual meeting of the Society in New York. It distributed 55,076 volumes in twenty-one languages in 1954 to the blind, marking the 120th year of its work for the blind.

The great cost of the Baptist World Congress is borne by the delegates themselves and by gifts from London, England, Baptists, who are hosts to the meeting.

Mrs. Charles Whitten, who was Nella Dean Mitchell, of Louisville, when she graduated from Blue Mountain College, is a missionary with her husband in Madrid, Spain. She says they are the first missionaries to live and work in Madrid.

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## Sunday School Lesson

By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell

July 17, 1955

### EZEKIEL AND THE CAPTIVITY

Bible Text: 2 Kings 24:8-16; 25:27-30; Ezekiel 1:1-3; 2:1-4; 3:11-15; 11:14-20; 18:30-32.

(This is the first step in an attempted comeback. The last lesson printed before this was written before I was involved in a serious wreck.)

#### I. THE MAN

A great man, when heaven vouchsafes so rare a gift, or any man for that matter, may be said to be a projection of his past of his family inheritance and the effect of the mores of his communal life. In like manner it may also be said that an institution is the lengthened shadow of a man. This is true in our civilization, of the government of a given country. A heroic England of the first war period was an embodiment of the dauntless courage and diplomatic energy of David Lloyd George, just as England of the second war period bodied forth the character of the noble Churchill.

Of educational institutions the same thing is true. Our own Mississippi College has become through the long years of his connection with it a reflection of the character of President Nelson. The same thing, the same principles, may be detected in the history of every great Baptist Church in our Southern Zion. Name them over: Druid Hills, Atlanta; Bellvue, Memphis; First Baptist Church, Dallas; First Baptist Church, New Orleans; and such may be said to be the work of its leaders—but work of his hands under God, the words of his mouth for God.

Let us fit Ezekiel into this pattern: physically and intellectually as well as culturally he was of the priesthood. Thus he was bred into an intimate knowledge of the history of his people as well as of the content and significance of the whole Temple service. Of course, he was God's man for God's purpose. Very truly then we say of him that he was God's creation, fitted by the Almighty hand for the purpose of his Creator. God's people had become divided into two classes (as when have they not been so divided?). There was the prouder, more envious, less sympathetic, and, as is often true, this class was found among the poorer people of the country from which it might be well for us to note again that it is not material wealth or the lack of it, cultural acquirement or its absence, religious pretense or the dearth of it that distinguished a people in the sight of God but only the state of the heart and the set of the soul. The lust for money or place of social preference may wither the heart

of a man who is poor and miserly, the heart of the mendicant as well as that of the millionaire, of the peasant in his hut as well as the prince in the palace.

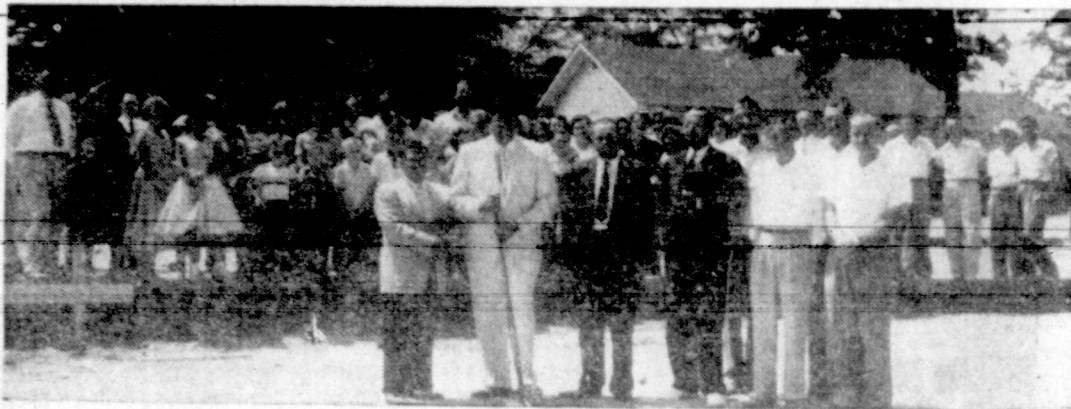
In the case of God's people here it was those who were left in possession of the land that were most offensive in the sight of God. To them He needed a prophet to speak in sharp criticism of their ungodly attitude toward their Maker and their fellow man. There was the group which was carried away into captivity, plucked from their homes and transplanted to a foreign land, deprived of the privilege of the services of the temple, forced to create for themselves a new status in a world of strangers. They needed God and God, let us say it reverently but nevertheless very frankly, needed a man to speak the message of courage and hope to His scattered children, wandering among strangers far from home. Ezekiel was that man.

It was not his heredity or environment, his wealth of culture or steadfast courage that qualified him finally for this work. Unto this special vocation the voice of God called him and the weight of the hand of God was upon his shoulder in command that whatever the consequence might be he was to speak the message of the Eternal and it was no simply that he might speak it accordingly as it pleased him or did not, but he must feel as Paul at a later date "Woe is me if I" speak not the word of God as he hath commanded me, and so in spite of possible consequences, he spoke and forebore not to proclaim the counsel of God.

#### II. THE MESSAGE

Before the time of Ezekiel the religion of God's chosen people had been regarded as a national heritage and obligation. This is seen in the concept they acquired of the consequences of their action. There is very little said in the earlier portion of the Old Testament about a Heaven for the faithful and penitent, or Hell for the ungodly. Unto the nations that do right prosperity is promised and victory over all opposing forces. Unto the individual who doeth right and avoideth wickedness is promised long life. Against the wicked there are hurled such statements as "The wicked shall be cut short in his generation," "The wicked are as the chaff which the wind driveth away" and always there lurks into the meaning of the word the idea of a family and a material solidarity. Comes Ezekiel now. The national ideal is gone with the wind, the family solidarity of responsibility of ancestors for the sin or the saintliness of their disadvantages of community culture and sets the soul of that man naked before himself and declares of it "The soul that sinneth, it shall die." There

## Richburg Church Observes Groundbreaking June 19



On Sunday, June 19, Richburg Church had a groundbreaking service for a completely new church which is estimated at a value of \$20,000. The men of the church are doing the work with some of the specific jobs being contracted.

In the picture above are (left to right) Rev. Ernest Steelman, Rev. J. Ray Grissett, Rev. W. L. Yeatman, Rev. Q. C. Barnett, and Deacons Carl C. Walker, Bennie McCraney, W. N. Johnson, and A. P. Stuart. The Rev. Mr. Grissett is the pastor.

is no avoidance of this individual responsibility. God is too near to be dodged or deceived. Just because He is the Creator and Preserver of the individual soul and that this imperishable portion of man is of the same character as God, that is, a spirit being, God does come within the inner wall of the sanctuary of man's being and draws closer to him than breathing and nearer than hands and feet. Ezekiel was called to trumpet this fresh truth into the ears of man.

It is the age old reality of the individual accountability of man to God, that we hear first ringing in the consecrated groves of Eden in the question "Where art thou, Adam?" It is the clinging, binding, living truth that makes the Evangel of the Lord Jesus run this rolling earth around and trumpet the challenge into the ears of every heart that hears the Evangel. It is not as a man's family or as his dearest friend but as he himself believeth on the Lord Jesus and receiveth his as Lord.

#### III. THE HEARERS OF EZEKIEL'S MESSAGE

1. Those who remained in the home land when the first deportation took place we are told of them that they moved from their shabby huts into the better houses of those who were driven away and that they rejoiced in the misfortunes of their brethren in consequences of which they themselves enjoyed prosperity. They were pitiless in their attitude toward the unfortunate and in this lack of pity was manifested a pride of heart that set them aside from the enjoyment of the mercy of God. It is unto these that Ezekiel speaks his sharpest words of denunciation and doom. He weaves his most terrible figures of speech and words of doom into whips and scourges of denunciation with which to lash the object of his righteous anger, naked through the world. It is not simply that any man or woman now harbors a convetuous or an envious or an unsympathetic attitude; the spirit that shapes the attitude is that which is commendable or not.

2. Of the exiles in the foreign land there could be little doubt that the dreary march of 1500 miles, some of it through the burning desert, wrought might-

ily upon the hearts of the captives. They were of noble birth and breeding and in this destruction of the fabric of their nation and of their personal fortunes and in their erasure of national hope there was for them the seed of deep and dark despair. Troubles of every imaginable sort came like vultures of the night to prey upon them. In the early evening and the dreary hours of the dawning day these are the conditions under which the hearts of man grow tender and the eyes of their faith seek the face of God and to them Ezekiel brought a different message.

The nation had been destroyed it is true, but in the beyond, a brighter and more glorious company of the Lord's redeemed should own and occupy his heritage. The national glory had become obscured but the glory of the individual life lived in obedience to the will and unto the enhancement of the splendor of God could shine forever with a fairer radiance than the world had known before. Not that they may become again a national kingdom of the yesteryear of God's children but that after a loftier fashion than any material kingdom, the redeemed shall walk with Him in white because they are worthy and their worthiness are those who have come up has been secured because these through tribulation and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the spotless Lamb.

## Baptist Receipts Continue To Rise

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — Members of Southern Baptist churches are continuing to give more money to support the denomination's missions programs and other activities.

This is evidenced by a report on contributions received in June by the office of Porter Routh, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Executive Committee.

This amount was about \$130,000 greater than the total for June, 1954. So far in 1955, Cooperative Program receipts and funds from designated gifts have come to \$11,616,741, compared with \$10,915,251 through June, 1954.

Cooperative Program receipts were several times greater last month as is usual. They totalled \$855,117, while \$234,982 came in from designated gifts.

Cooperative Program funds are running almost 5½ per cent higher than for the first six months of 1954; designations are up almost 7½ per cent, and total gifts through the two channels are up almost 6½ per cent.

Contributions from Baptists in Mississippi in June were \$57,628, with \$39,368 coming in through the Cooperative Program and \$18,260 coming in through designated offerings.



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## Why I Believe In Tithing

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I believe in tithing because it is scriptural, reasonable, and practical. Firmly grounded in the Old Testament, commended by Jesus, validated by the personal experience of thousands of Christians who have tried it, tithing remains the best method for the material support of the church and the progressive realization of the revealed purposes of God for his world.

**Tithing is scriptural.** — Only by the most radical application of historical-critical methods of interpretation can it be explained away. By the same methods the Ten Commandments can be set aside. Not as a law to be meticulously obeyed for fear of evil consequences, but as a great spiritual principle to be freely and joyously accepted and fulfilled, tithing offers to the Christian the biblical, time-tested minimum standard for giving to God.

**Tithing is reasonable.** — Any one, rich or poor, can tithe. It asks of no one that which he

does not have. The poor man out of his modest income can give his tithe with the same sense of satisfaction at having done his proportionate part as can the one whose total gift may amount to many times more. In these days of abundance the tithe should be regarded as the minimum, and many in America should give far more than a tenth.

**Tithing is practical.** — It works. It works for the individual; it works for the church. Although it appears to be more honored in the breach than in the observance among church members in general, there is little doubt that it is the bedrock foundation of the financial system of the most successful churches and denominations.

Our God knew what he was doing when by the Holy Spirit he wrote the principle of the tithe into the Bible. Let no man who is giving less than a tenth to the work of the church say, "I don't believe in tithing." Jesus said, "I came not to destroy the law, but to fulfill it." The only way to escape the law of the tithe is to fulfill it by rising above it: to ignore it as a law by giving more than a tenth out of sheer gratitude and joy. Regardless of when, where, and to whom it was first written, Malchi 3:10 still



Shown above are those who attended the Vacation Bible School at the Crane Creek Church in Pearl River County. Mrs. Ford Smith reported an average attendance of 70. J. D. Gill was the principal and Rev. J. E. Nix is the pastor.

### Mobley To Mendenhall

Willie Mobley, music and educational director at First Church Booneville, has accepted a similar post at Mendenhall Church, effective Aug. 1.

Rev. N. F. Davis is pastor.

speaks to the heart of modern man. You can prove that it is the word of God to you, if you will read it and obey.

Among recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Sonny McClellan, Ronnie Leon Wall Jack Lee, Bobby Martin, and Rev. and Mrs. Robert H. Foy Cruger; Rev. and Mrs. Melvin T. Wilson, Kreole; Rev. C. N. Sheffield, Oakland; Rev. Philip Tillman, Scooby; Mrs. Catherine M. Woodman, Ft. Worth, Texas; T. F. Stevens, Noxapater; W. O. Presson and C. B. Blackwell, H. V. Bryant, Louisville. T. A. Davis, Jackson.

### DR. W. A. ROPER DIES

Funeral services for Dr. W. A. Roper, 88, retired Baptist preacher who died in Meridian early Friday, were held Saturday, July 9 at Webb Funeral Home.

A Baptist preacher for more than 35 years, who retired a few years ago, Dr. Roper's pastorates included Meridian, Tybertown, Kosciusko and Biloxi.

He was widely known throughout Mississippi and was very active in Baptist Church affairs.

Dr. Roper is survived by a son, C. A. Roper of Hazlehurst, and a daughter, Mrs. J. S. Nobles of Meridian; eight grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

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### DEATH . . . AND AFTER?

(Sword of the Lord Publishers, 214 West Wesley Street, Wheaton, Illinois, \$1.50), is a book of sermons by Dr. Lee Roberson, pastor, Highland Park Baptist Church, Chattanooga, Tennessee. The chapter titles include: "Shall We Know Each Other in Heaven?", "The Ideal Funeral Sermon," "What Happens When A Baby Dies?", "Tears Gone Forever," "Where Are the Dead, Saved and Lost?", "What About Deathbed Repentance?", "The Men Who Laugh at Eternal Hell Fire." Order from the Baptist Book Store or the publisher.

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## Youth Week At Mt. Vernon (Zion)



Pictured above are the youth of Mt. Vernon Church, Eupora, on the first day of Youth Week. Robert Lynn Watson served as Youth Pastor. Jimmy Johnson and Webb Avery were the speakers for the worship services. G. W. Powers, Jr., Sunday School Superintendent, Adell Tharp Training Union Director, and Geneva Waits as Music Director. There were thirteen Juniors used, Fifteen Intermediates, and ten Young People. The youth took over all the positions in the church for one week June 5-12. Mt. Vernon is only a half time church and on June 12 the Pastor, Rev. Howard Taylor, was at the other church where he is pastor and the youth were in charge of the morning service.

## Mt. Pleasant Evangelist



Rev. Wayne Sterling of Jackson, a May graduate of Mississippi College will be the evangelist for a youth revival at Mt. Pleasant church, Mississippi Association, beginning July 17th. He served in the United States Army as Chaplain's Assistant for one year. Serving as song leader will be John Tucker of Vicksburg, also a May graduate of Mississippi College. The pastor is Rev. H. J. McCool.

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"DEAR CHARLES" by Dr. Wesley Shrader, now pastor of the First Church, Lynchburg, Virginia, is a MUST for pastors and profitable reading for everybody. You will not agree with everything in the book, but there is enough good in it to make it worthwhile, and the things with which you do not agree will at least make you think. It is a series of 26 fictional letters by a seminary pro-

fessor whom Dr. Shrader calls Dr. Astute. They form an entertaining, original, and often biting commentary on some aspects of the ministry. Mr. Shrader does not evaluate the letters, but leaves to the reader the final judgment of the effect of the type of thinking which Charles (to whom the letters were written) and Dr. Astute represent, and which is so prevalent today. Published by the Macmillan Company, 65th Avenue, New York 11, New York, and selling for \$2.50, the book may be ordered from the Baptist Book Store or from the publisher.

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How concerned I used to be about the placing of my name as a "star" at the head of the cast, and about the little details of the performance! And particularly about the paycheck! The press notices I got, the part I was given to play—these seemed more important to me then, than anything else in the world. What a prison that was! I was imprisoned by my own ego. It was terrible. It's gone now, gone like snow in the sun. Dale Evans has evacuated that house, and the Holy Spirit has moved in. Every now and then the ghost of that old Dale Evans comes around, and I get a good laugh. I just say, "Go away. I don't believe in ghosts." And it goes, like a scared tramp. I feel like Alice in Wonderland—only better, because my wonderland is real. All my life I searched for the pot of gold at the foot of the rainbow; now I've found it at the foot of the Cross. — From MY SPIRITUAL DIARY by Dale Evans Rogers (Fleming H. Revell Company)

## Clarke Accepts Macon Post

Rev. Ivor L. Clark has resigned as pastor of the Noxapater Church, in order to accept the pastorate of the First Church, Macon, effective August 1.

He is a graduate of Mississippi College and holds the Bachelor of Divinity and Master of Religious Education Degrees from Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth. Mrs. Clarke is a graduate of Hillman College and holds the Bachelor of Religious Education Degree from Southwestern.

In addition to Mississippi pastorates, Clark has worked as a missionary of the State Mission Board of Louisiana, held pastorates in Oklahoma and



Rev. Ivor L. Clark

Texas and served twenty-one months in the Air Force Chaplaincy during the Korean Conflict.

All departments of the Noxapater church have grown under the leadership of the pastor but the most outstanding growth has been in the field of stewardship and missions. The church budget has increased three-hundred percent, the church is in the top hundred Mississippi churches in total missions contributions and for the past two years, only twenty four churches in Mississippi gave more to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, even though the Noxapater Church had less than four hundred in total membership.

Eighteen teen-agers have volunteered for Special Christian Service and over half of the boys and girls enrolled in R. A. and G. A. have attended Camp Garaywa two years in succession.

The Macon church has thrown out the welcome mat to the Clarks by letting the contract to air-condition the church and by making plans for building a new pastorium.

Clark succeeds the Rev. R. D. Pearson who is retiring after serving as pastor of the Macon church for twenty seven years.

## Macedonia Dedicates Pastorium



Macedonia Church, Simpson County, dedicated its pastorium free of debt on June 26. J. E. Boggan, chairman of the deacons, gave the welcome address. Pastor G. T. Hinderson read the Scripture and recognized the members of the building committee. Rev. W. E. Hardy, R. J. Gardner, Rev. N. F. Davis, Jr., and Rev. C. C. Jones also participated in the program. Mr. Jones formerly served as pastor.

The actual cost of the six-room pastorium with basement was \$3,689.37. In addition to much of the material for the house being donated, there were 1227 hours of free labor given.

The church, organized in 1841, also occupies a debt-free structure which was built in 1937.

IN PASTURES GREEN, A RAMBLE THROUGH THE TWENTY-THIRD PSALM (The Judson Press, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania) is written by Dr. F. W. Boreham. Few preachers dare to preach about the 23rd Psalm until they have reached the years of discretion and wisdom to which Dr. Boreham has long since attained. In this little book, beautifully illustrated and printed in photo-gravure, the veteran preacher and writer confidently expounds this greatest of all the Psalms and shows how goodness and mercy do surround the lives of those who find God. Order from the Baptist Book Store or the publisher for 75 cents.

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## To Lead Revival



Rev. Quenton Floyd, pastor Forest Hill Church, Hinds county, will be the evangelist for the Hickory Flat Revival beginning July 17th.

The Music will be under the direction of Rev. David Smitherman. Rev. C. L. Byrant is pastor.

## Hipp Ordained



Rev. Jimmy Hipp

Rev. Jimmy H. Hipp was ordained to the full work of the Gospel Ministry by the Silver City Church, by the request of the Damascus Church, Madison Association, on Sunday June 12.

Those officiating in the ordination service were Rev. C. A. Molpus, Belzoni; Rev. Byron Scruggs, Belzoni; Rev. Dale Hollaway, Louise; Rev. Charlie Warren; Deacons J. H. Bradshaw, T. H. Hardacre, H. B. Bradshaw.

Jimmy is a senior at Mississippi College and has been called to pastor the Damascus church, Madison Association.

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